

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SPRAY PESTICIDE TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MOSQUITOES AND THE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS IN SELECTED PARTS OF BROOKLYN

**August 17, 2015** – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will spray pesticide from trucks in parts of Brooklyn on **Wednesday, August 19, 2015 between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the following morning**, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until Thursday, August 20, 2015 during the same hours. The neighborhoods listed below are being treated due to rising West Nile virus activity and have high mosquito populations.

## **Locations of Application**

Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Parts of Bath Beach, Bay	Bordered by 86 <sup>th</sup> St, 21 <sup>st</sup> Ave, Bay Ridge PKWY,	Parts of
Ridge, Bensonhurst, Dyker	15 <sup>th</sup> Ave, and 64 <sup>th</sup> St, Fort Hamilton Pkwy and 83 <sup>rd</sup>	11204, 11209,
Heights, Gravesend, Fort	St to the North, The Atlantic Ocean to the West	11214, 11219,
Hamilton, New Utreht	and the South; Coney Island Creek and Shell Road	11223, 11228
	to the East	
Parts of Georgetown, Mill	Bordered by Avenue K to the North; Ocean Ave,	Parts of
Basin, Flatlands, East	Avenue X, and Nostrand Ave to the West; the Belt	11210, 11229,
Flatbush, Flatbush, Marine	PKWY to the South; and Belt PKWY and	11234,11235
Park, Midwood, Mill Island	Paerdegat Basin to the East	

For these sprayings, the Health Department will use a very low concentration of Anvil<sup>®</sup> 10+10, a synthetic pesticide. When properly used, this product poses no significant risks to human health. The Health Department recommends that people **take the following precautions to minimize direct exposure**:

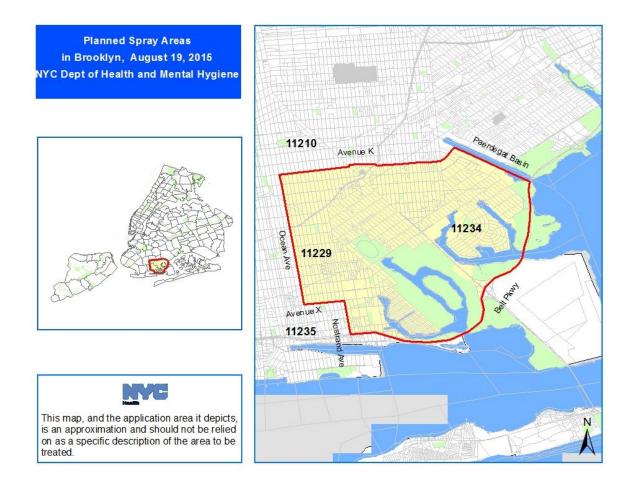
- Whenever possible, stay indoors during spraying. People with asthma or other respiratory conditions are encouraged to stay inside during spraying since direct exposure could worsen these conditions.
- Air conditioners may remain on, however, if you wish to reduce the possibility of indoor exposure to pesticides, set the air conditioner vent to the closed position, or choose the re-circulate function.
- Remove children's toys, outdoor equipment, and clothes from outdoor areas during spraying. If outdoor equipment and toys are exposed to pesticides, wash them with soap and water before using again.
- Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water. Always wash your produce thoroughly with water before cooking or eating.

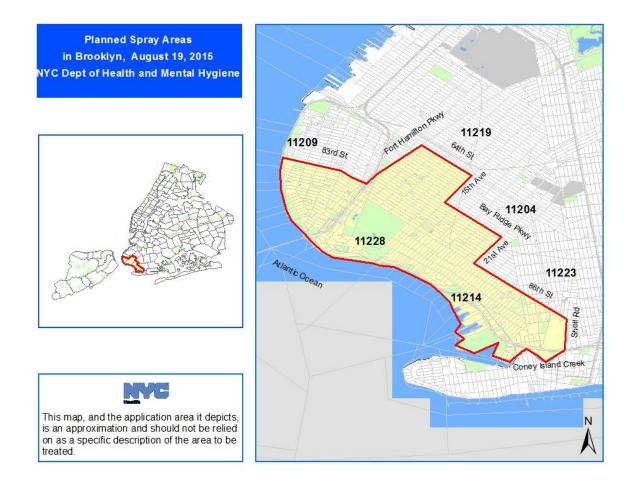
## **Reducing Exposure to Mosquitoes**

• Consider limiting time outdoors between dusk and dawn in areas with significant mosquito infestations.

- Wear protective clothing when outdoors, and use an approved insect repellent containing picaridin, DEET, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under three), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535.
- Make sure windows have screens and repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property and dispose of containers that can collect water. Standing water is a violation of the New York City Health Code.
- Make sure roof gutters are clean and draining properly.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs. Keep them empty or covered if not in use; drain water that collects in pool covers.
- Report standing water by calling **311** or visiting <u>nyc.gov</u>.

## Map Depicting Specific Area for Pesticide Application





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