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COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. TO SPRAY ADULT MOSQUITOES In Bristol Township, Falls Township, and Morrisville Borough

The Bucks County Department of Health (BCDH) West Nile Virus Mosquito Control Program will conduct an ultra-low volume (ULV) mosquito control operation to reduce high populations of nuisance mosquitoes and mosquitoes capable of transmitting West Nile Virus Thursday August 18th, 2022 in Bristol Township, Falls Township, and Morrisville Borough.

The treatment will be administered via truck-mounted equipment, spraying mosquito habitats in residential and park locations. Trucks used in the spray are identified with Bucks County seal logos located on the doors. The equipment dispenses Biomist 3+15 at a rate 1.5 ounces per acre. This product is designed to provide quick, effective control of adult mosquito populations. These application materials have a very low toxicity profile to mammals and will have negligible impact to non-target insects and the environment.

Treatments will occur in Bristol Township in Magnolia Hill. In Falls Township in Birch Valley and areas bounded by Trenton Road, Auburn Road, Stanwood Road, Hanford Road, S. Olds Blvd., and S. Queen Anne Drive will be treated. In Morrisville Borough areas bounded by Route 13, Doloro Dr, Rennard Ln., Carlisle Dr., W. Trenton Ave., N. Lafayette Ave, Ridge Ave., Highland Ave., Crown St., Delmont Ave (Rt. 32), E. Philadelphia Ave., Riverview Ave., Riverside Ave., E., Post Rd., Royal Ave., Bristol Pike, W. Philadelphia Ave., S. Pennsylvania Ave., W. Bridge St., McKinley Ave., and Cox Ave. will be treated.

Certain mosquito species carry the West Nile virus, which can cause humans to contract West Nile encephalitis, an infection that can result in an inflammation of the brain. According to the Pennsylvania Department of Health, all residents in areas where virus activity has been identified are at risk of contracting West Nile encephalitis.

Weather conditions and other unexpected events could delay or cancel this spray operation. If conditions do not allow application on August 18, 2022, subsequently Friday evening, August 19, 2022 will serve as the back-up spray date.

For additional information about adult mosquitoes and West Nile Virus, please go to www.dep.pa.gov/westnile . The Bucks County Department of Health can be reached at 215-345-3318.