

Royse City to Add Area for Ground Spraying on August 5th

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The City of Royse City will be adding an area to ground spray for mosquitoes on Friday, August 5th. It was reported that a mosquito sample tested positive for the West Nile Virus from trap location 3, which is located at 801 Nancy Drive. The ground spraying for this area will include Quail Ridge Estates, Briarstone Estates, Lakewood Estates, Creekview Estates, and Sunrise Meadows. Crews will begin spraying these areas after completing the area already scheduled (north of the Interstate). Therefore, it will be near 11 PM before spraying begins in these neighborhoods. They will continue spraying into the night, until complete.

If you are in the area in which ground spraying will occur, please stay indoors, keep pets inside, and cover fish ponds during the spraying times.

The City of Royse City's Vector Control Program is responsible for trapping mosquitoes and monitoring mosquito activity. When mosquitoes are trapped, those samples are sent to the Department of State Health Services that tests the mosquitoes for various viruses and reports its findings back to the City.

This time of year mosquito activity is high. To help eliminate the nuisance, please remove, empty and/or cover any items on your property that may hold water. Stagnant water is breeding ground for mosquitoes. To protect yourself from mosquito bites, use an insect repellent containing, at least, 30 percent DEET (lower concentration for children) and stay indoors at dawn and dusk.