Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

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RESIDENTIAL MOSQUITO CONTROL APPLICATIONS IN HUNTINGTON BEACH

Garden Grove, Calif. – Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District (OCMVCD) will be conducting residential applications to address mosquito abundance and the risk of mosquito-borne disease in the City of Huntington Beach using ultra-low volume (ULV) adulticide treatments. The applications are scheduled for July 22nd, 23rd and 24th between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m. in an area bordered by Newland St., Adams Ave., Bushard St., and Atlanta Ave. [see map on next page].

Application dates and times may change due to weather, environmental conditions or other operational needs. Residents can check the treatment schedule and determine whether their homes are located within the treatment area HERE. Residents in treatment areas will be notified prior to the treatment date with door flyers left at their homes.

All control products used by OCMVCD are registered by the federal and state Environmental Protection Agency for the purpose of controlling mosquitoes and protecting public health. The products are applied according to the label rate (less than one fluid ounce per acre) and are not harmful to people or pets, even if they are present during the application. The application will not harm the finishes on cars or homes. Residents do not have to turn off airconditioning units during the application.

"Residents should take the necessary precautions to reduce mosquito breeding and prevent bites," Public Information Officer Brian Brannon said. "Please take charge of your yard by eliminating standing water and water-holding containers."

Residents should also take the following steps to reduce mosquito breeding:

- Dump and drain any containers filled with water at least once a week;
- Clean and scrub bird baths and pet water bowls weekly;
- Dump water from potted plant saucers;
- Avoid transporting or sharing plant clippings rooted in water;
- Drill holes or puncture containers to eliminate standing water.

To prevent mosquito bites, OCMVCD offers the following tips:

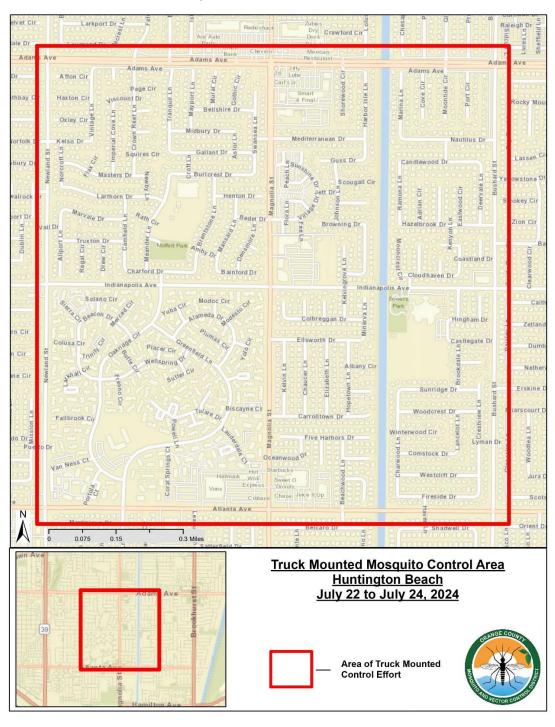
- Apply mosquito repellent to exposed skin before going outdoors and reapply as recommended;
- Wear repellent containing DEET, Picaridin, IR3535, or oil of lemon eucalyptus;

- Close all unscreened doors and windows to prevent mosquitoes from entering your home or space; repair broken or damaged screens;
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and opt for lighter-colored clothing.

OCMVCD encourages residents to sign up for VIP email notifications.

For more information, visit ocvector.org.

Map of treatment area in red



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