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SUBJECT: Upcoming mosquito season

TO: CMMCP member cities and towns

FROM: Timothy Deschamps, Executive Director

The Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project has been treating areas throughout your community where mosquito larvae are found. These inspections of larval mnosquito sites will continue throughout the summer month. We have also begun a preemptive program of catch basin treatments where West Nile Virus was found last year to reduce *Culex* mosquito populations.

Warming temperatures coupled with standing water from spring rains have resulted in the season's first emergence of adult mosquitoes. CMMCP is prepared to begin limited adult mosquito spraying on or around June 2nd, weather permitting (night time temperatures and wind are the limiting factors this time of year). The Ultra Low Volume Spray operations for adult mosquitoes will be conducted in residential areas by ***request only***, and only after an investigation has confirmed the existence of mosquitoes has exceeded a pre-determined threshold. The spraying is done after sunset utilizing hand-held or truck mounted sprayers.

Spray schedules have been mailed to Town/City Clerk; Health and Police Departments, and are on our website here: http://www.cmmcp.org/pesticide.htm. This information is also on our phone system after 3:30pm each day. These dates are subject to change due to inclement weather and/or high mosquito populations. Anyone who wishes to have their property **excluded from spraying** should notify the city/town clerk and the CMMCP office at (508) 393-3055 or no_spray@cmmcp.org.

We are continuing with our goal to reduce the need for adult mosquito spraying. We have placed an increased emphasis on larviciding, water management, source reduction and public education.

Please feel free to contact our office if we may be of assistance to you.

(508) 393-3055 Monday-Friday 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Thank you

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