



**NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND MENTAL HYGIENE**
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Commissioner

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT MOSQUITO ADULTICIDING IN PARTS OF QUEENS AND STATEN ISLAND TO REDUCE RISK OF WEST NILE VIRUS

Trucks will spray pesticide in parts of Queens in evening of Monday, August 8, 2022, and in parts of Staten Island in the evening of Wednesday, August 10, 2022.

August 3, 2022 – To reduce mosquito activity and the risk of West Nile virus, the Health Department will conduct adulticide treatments in Queens and on Staten Island. Trucks will spray pesticides in sections of Queens beginning on **Monday, August 8, 2022 between the hours of 8:30 PM and 6:00 AM the following morning**. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until **Tuesday, August 9, 2022**. Trucks will also spray pesticides in sections of Staten Island beginning on **Wednesday, August 10, 2022, between the hours of 8:30 PM and 6:00 AM the following morning**. In case of bad weather, application will be delayed until **Thursday, August 11, 2022**.

The Health Department will use very low concentrations of Anvil® 10+10, Duet® or MERUS® 3. The risks of pesticides applied by the Health Department for mosquito control are low to people and pets. Some people who are sensitive to spray ingredients may experience short-term eye or throat irritation, or a rash. People with respiratory conditions may also be affected.

To stay safe during spraying:

- Stay indoors, whenever possible.
- Air conditioners can remain on. While unnecessary, you may wish to close air conditioner vents, or choose the recirculate function.

After spraying:

- Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water.
- Always wash fruits and vegetables with water.

The most effective way to control mosquitoes is to eliminate any standing water. New Yorkers are also encouraged to mosquito-proof their homes and take precautions when spending time outdoors.

Reducing exposure to mosquitoes

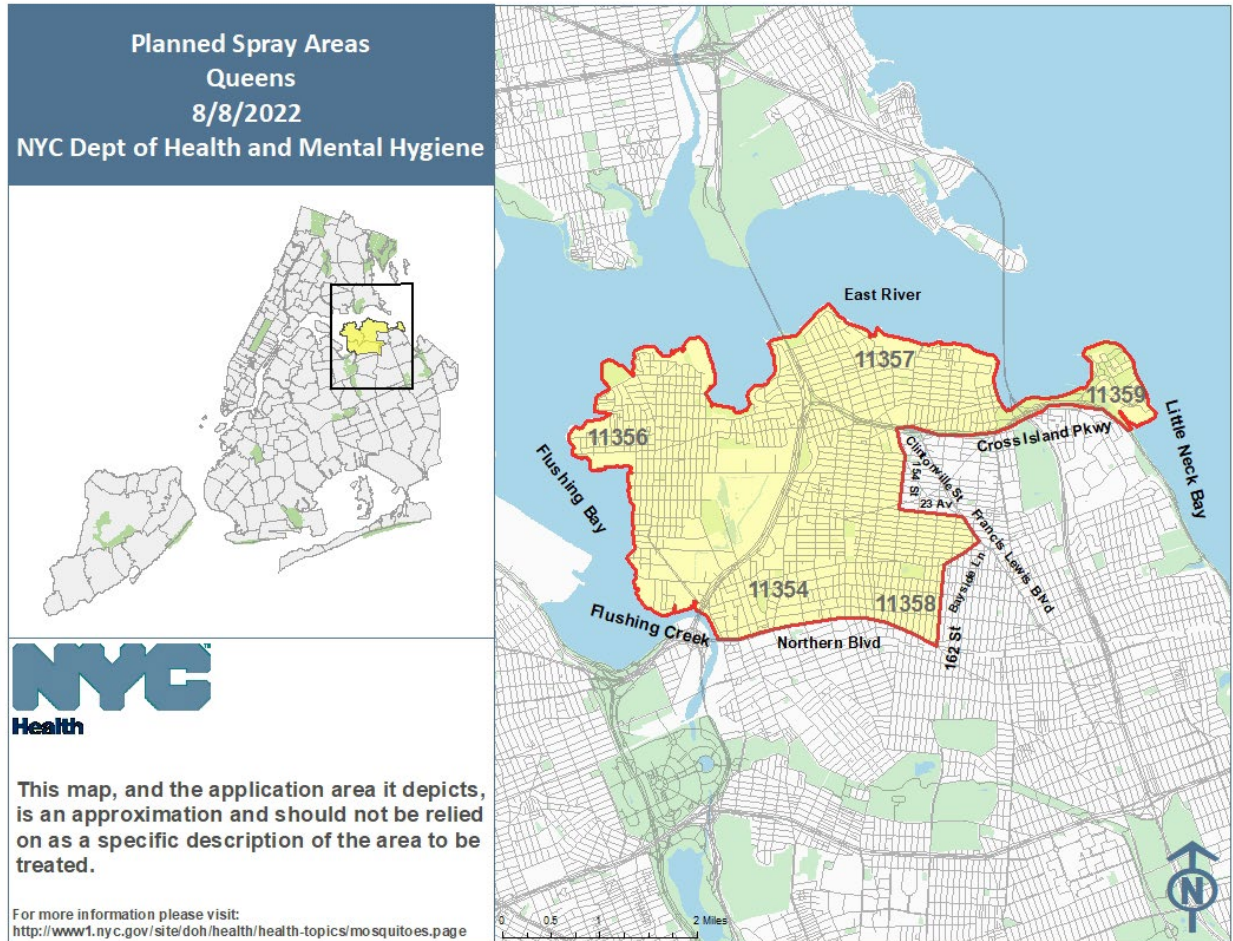
- Use an approved insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus (not for children under 3), or products that contain the active ingredient IR3535.
- Make sure windows have screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate any standing water from your property 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 nyc.gov/health/wnv. For more information about West Nile virus, call 311 or visit nyc.gov.

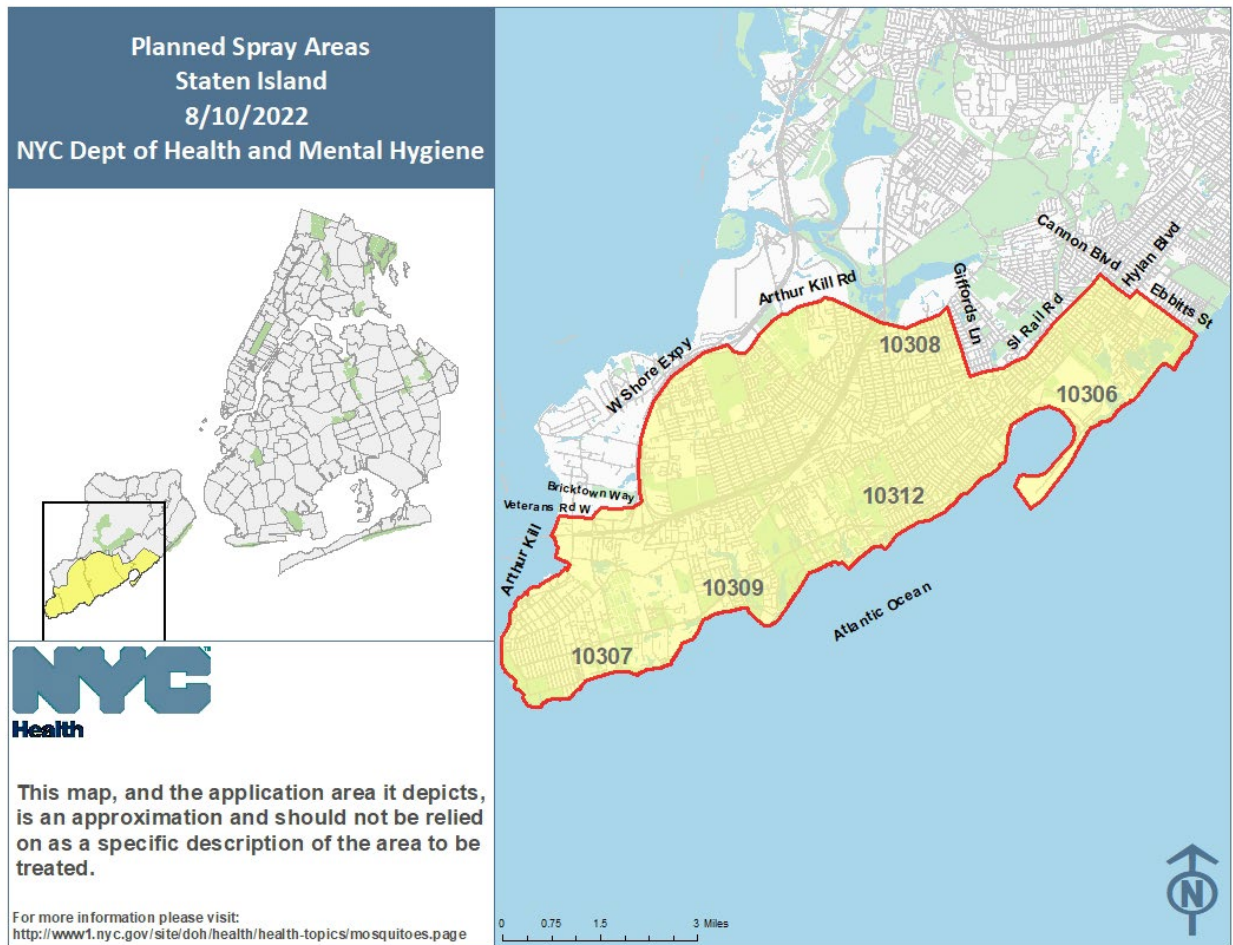
Locations of truck spraying in Queens for August 8, 2022

Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Parts of Bay Terrace, Beechhurst, College Point, Flushing, Linden Hill, Malba, and Whitestone	Bordered by the East River to the North; Little Neck Bay, Cross Island Parkway, Clintonville Street, 154 Street, 23 Avenue, Francis Lewis Boulevard, Bayside Lane, and 162 Street to the East; Northern Boulevard to the South; Flushing Creek and Flushing Bay to the West.	Parts of 11354, 11356, 11357, 11358, and 11359



Map of truck spray areas on Staten Island for August 10, 2022

Neighborhoods	Boundaries	Zip Codes
Parts of Annadale, Arden Heights, Aspen Knolls, Bay Terrace, Charleston, Eltingville, Great Kills, Greenridge, Huguenot, New Dorp Beach, Oakwood, Oakwood Heights, Pleasant Plains, Prince’s Bay, Richmond Valley, Rossville, Southeast Annadale, Tottenville, Village Green, and Woodrow	Bordered by Veterans Road West, Bricktown Way, West Shore Expressway, Arthur Kill Road, Giffords Lane, and Staten Island Railroad to the North; Cannon Boulevard, Hylan Boulevard, and Ebbitts Street to the East; The Atlantic Ocean to the South; and Arthur Kill to the West.	Parts of 10306, 10307, 10308, 10309, and 10312



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