
Press Release

NEWS

Burlington County
Board of Chosen Freeholders
Mount Holly, NJ 08060
Office of Public Information
Phone 609-265-5028/Fax 609-265-5151
www.co.burlington.nj.us



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Ralph Shrom

Tuesday, July 17, 2012

(609) 265-5028

WEST NILE VIRUS MOSQUITO SAMPLE DETECTED
IN EVESHAM & SPRINGFIELD

Nearby Areas To Be Treated This Thursday, July 19th

Mosquito traps placed in the vicinity of the Evesham sewage treatment plant and on Arney's Mount Road in Springfield have turned up the latest positive samples of West Nile Virus, according to the Burlington County Mosquito Division.

As a result, the division will treat to control adult mosquitoes early in the evening, this Thursday, July 19th, weather permitting, officials said.

The positive samples bring to a total of 10 the number of West Nile mosquitoes trapped this season. The first was identified in late May in Pemberton Township.

Areas within approximately one-half mile of Evesham sewerage plant, located on North Elmwood Drive, and in the vicinity of Arney's Mount Road near Monmouth Road in Springfield, will be treated, starting at 7:30 PM. Pesticide will be applied in a mist form by a truck-mounted sprayer. Residents are encouraged to stay indoors while treatment occurs.

The Mosquito Division routinely places traps throughout the County during the warm weather season, to identify the presence of mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, and St. Louis Encephalitis.

-more-

PRESS RELEASE: West Nile – 7/17/12 – Add One

Positive samples have also been trapped in Florence, Maple Shade, Moorestown, Mount Holly, Palmyra, Pemberton and Washington. Nearby areas were treated in each case.

Residents were once again reminded to take precautions against mosquito bites by using repellent, wearing long sleeves and long pants, and by trying to limit outdoor activity when mosquitoes are most active, during dawn and dusk.

Residents should also clean or remove any items on their personal property that can collect rain or sprinkler water and serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes, such as clogged gutters, flowerpots, bottle caps or old car tires. They should also completely change water in birdbaths at least once a week and should repair window and door screens.

###