



# Lewisville reports three more positive West Nile Virus mosquito tests

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Vector Disease Control International, a private company contracted by the City of Lewisville, has confirmed the city's 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> positive West Nile Virus mosquito traps for 2017.

The 13<sup>th</sup> positive sample was collected Aug. 10, from a trap located in the 600 block of Holfords Prairie Road, in an area between State Highway 121 and Business 121. Four positive mosquito samples were previously collected from this same trap on July 13, July 20, July 27, and Aug. 3.

The 14<sup>th</sup> positive sample was collected Aug. 10, from a trap located in the 200 block of Highland Drive, north of State Highway 121 and east of Denton Tap Road. Two positive mosquito samples were previously collected from this trap on July 13, and Aug 3.

The 15<sup>th</sup> positive sample was collected Aug. 10, from a trap located at Purgatory Pass and Cripple Creek Lane, near Highland Village Elementary School. One positive mosquito sample was previously collected from this trap on July 6.

All three locations are core testing sites in the city. It's important to note that all the positive tests to date in the City of Lewisville have been in mosquitos; there have been no positive human cases reported.

Weather permitting, ground spraying/fogging will be conducted in a half-mile radius of each testing location on Tuesday, August 15, and Wednesday, August 16. An automated "call out" from the City of Lewisville will happen tonight at 6 p.m., notifying residents in all three areas that a positive trap was collected and where spraying will occur. Trucks operated by Vector Disease Control International will conduct the spraying around 9 p.m. each night. The insecticide being used is registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and poses minimal risk to humans, pets and the environment.

City crews are regularly walking through and visually inspecting creeks and drainage channels to look for potential mosquito breeding sites. The city has nearly a dozen workers in the Parks and Animal Services divisions who are state-certified to apply anti-larval dunks or localized pesticide to curb the mosquito population. Residents are encouraged to report any mosquito complaints to Chris McGinn at 972.219.3484.

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