



## ORANGE COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT

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### **Aerial Mosquito Spray Treatments to be provided ahead of scheduled.**

News Release

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Aerial Spray treatments tentatively scheduled to begin Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> in Orange, Jefferson and Chambers County's, are now scheduled to begin Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. A military C-130 will be used to treat these areas. Aerial spray treatments will be carried-out beginning at dusk and into the evening hours. Insecticide to be used does not pose a threat to public health or animals. Beekeepers are being notified and need to be aware of the treatments so that they have the opportunity to move their hives or cover them prior to treatment, if they choose to do so.

Aerial spray treatments to Orange County and other areas along the Texas Gulf Coast will be provided by the Texas Department of State Health Services working with the DOD, Clarke Mosquito Control and Dynamic Aviation in an effort to help combat the high levels of mosquito activity and the threat to public health following Hurricane Harvey.

The majority of mosquitoes hatching off at this time fall into the flood water group and will not spread viruses like Zika or West Nile, but are causing high levels of nuisance to area recovery workers, residents and animals.

Residents need to take personal protective measures to protect themselves from mosquito bites and mosquito-borne diseases by using EPA approved repellants, moving indoors at dusk and dawn when many mosquito species are most active, wearing light colored loose fitting clothing as a physical barrier from the mosquito and draining standing water from property.