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**2nd Aerial Spray Operation to Combat Mosquitoes
Scheduled for Northeast Harris County**

The **second** aerial spray operation will be conducted Thursday evening, **September 25th**, in northeastern Harris County. This includes the area from the 610 Loop at Highway 90 north to the Montgomery County line. The operation will extend eastward to approximately the Liberty County/Chambers County line. **(See attached map)** Nearly 200,000 acres in northeast Harris County will be treated by air this evening. Aerial operations occur between the hours of 8:30pm – 4:00am, weather permitting.

The insecticide, Dibrom (EPA-approved), is routinely used for aerial operations to combat mosquito-borne disease and will be used during the spray operation in Harris County. While Dibrom is considered to be safe for the environment, some people may be sensitive to direct contact with the chemical.

Since many Harris County neighborhoods continue to be without power, we anticipate more people may be outside during the spray operation. Harris County Public Health & Environmental Services (HCPHES) asks that you go indoors while the aerial treatment is being conducted in your area.

Vector Disease Control, Inc. (VDCI) of Greenville, Mississippi is conducting the 6-day aerial spray operation (September 24-29) for Harris County that will total nearly one million acres. VDCI holds a contingency contract with Harris County to provide aerial application of adulticides (insecticide used against adult mosquitoes) to assist in the control of mosquito-borne disease.

Last evening (September 24), approximately 180,000 acres were treated in southeastern Harris County.