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**Aerial Spray Operations to Occur In Western Portions of Harris County to Combat Mosquitoes and Mosquito-Borne Disease**

The fifth aerial spray operation will be conducted Sunday evening, September 28<sup>th</sup> in western portions of Harris County. The proposed areas to be treated include:  
**(See attached map)**

**West Central Area**

- I-610 west to near Gessner Road. Extends from the Harris County/Fort Bend County line north to approximately Little York Road.
- Small section of the northern portion of the Central Area extends from Little York Road north to the Harris County/Montgomery County line (includes the Hooks Airport area).

**West Area**

- Includes area west of Dairy Ashford St. to the Harris/Fort Bend/Waller County line. And continues north to the Harris/Waller/Montgomery County line.

The goal is to treat nearly 200,000 acres by air this evening utilizing three (3) airplanes. Aerial operations will occur between the hours of 7:00pm – 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.

To date, approximately 75% of Harris County has been treated by aerial spray application.