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## Mahoning County Mosquito Spraying Rescheduled

Mahoning County Public Health received 2021 Ohio EPA Mosquito Control Grant Funding for mosquito control measures. One of those measures includes spraying for adult mosquito control. Spraying will help reduce the population of mosquitos and help prevent the spread of mosquito borne diseases such as West Nile Virus.

Adult Mosquito Control will occur in the following limited areas within Mahoning County:

Date	Locations
• June 28, 2021*	Austintown Township Park
• July 26, 2021*	Boardman Township Park
	Canfield Fairgrounds
	Canfield Township Park
	Coy Park
	Mill Creek Park
	Poland Township Park
	Poland Village Park
• June 28, 2021*	Chaparral Campgrounds
• July 26, 2021*	Lakeside Campground
	Lake Milton KOA Campground
	Western Reserve Campgrounds

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that the dates have been pushed back by one week since originally announced in May, 2021

Spraying will be performed between dusk and dawn. If rainy or windy conditions are present, then spraying will be rescheduled. Beekeepers with beehives can call our Environmental Health Division (330–270–2855 Option 2) so spraying can be avoided in those locations.

Please remember that many mosquito problems are the result of breeding sites around the home. Spraying is not effective in controlling the breeding sites of mosquitos.

To help eliminate mosquito breeding sites around the home:

- Empty or throw away containers in your yard that can collect water such as tires, buckets, bottles, toys, etc.
- Change water in pet bowls, bird baths, and flowerpot saucers at least twice a week
- Clean clogged rain gutters
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets
- Keep water from accumulating on tarps and boat covers



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Bio-friendly larvicides, commonly known as "mosquito dunks", can be purchased at local garden and hardware stores. These will control larval growth in wet areas around the home for several weeks without harming other animals.

Protect yourself from mosquito bites by:

- Cover exposed skin by wearing long sleeves and long pants
- Avoid outdoor activity when mosquitoes are most active such as dusk and dawn
- Avoid areas with heavy mosquito activity
- Use repellents on exposed skin always read and follow the label instructions
- Inspect window and door screens and repair any holes

## ABOUT MAHONING COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

Mahoning County Public Health works to protect the public's health and to ensure conditions in which all people can live healthy lives. Mahoning County Public Health offers a variety of services from immunizations to environmental and community health programs. For a complete list of services, visit mahoninghealth.org.

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