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WEST HAVEN MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Beginning on June 09, 2025, as in previous years, the West Haven Health Department shall pursue a mosquito control program designed to assist with the prevention of human cases of West Nile Virus in addition to other mosquito-borne illnesses. The program shall consist of the placement of *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* (Bti) bacteria briquets in mosquito breeding sites on publicly owned properties, the placement of FOURSTAR Sustained Release 90 Day Microbial Briquets in Municipal catch basins which contain standing water and responding to citizen complaints. The placement of these larvicidal agents serves to reduce mosquito populations where possible, especially within catch basins, which are the favored breeding site for the mosquito species known to transmit West Nile Virus.

Insect repellent shall be provided for distribution through the Senior Center, as senior citizens are most at-risk to develop severe illness if West Nile Virus is contracted. Repellent shall also be distributed through City offices which deal directly with the public, such as the Assessor's, City Clerk and Tax Offices, and through an educational campaign.

This activity shall be performed in conjunction with the State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health, The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station and other City Departments, where applicable.

Best Regards,

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