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**Joint Mosquito Spraying Over Federal Properties**

The Norfolk District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the City of Portsmouth Virginia will conduct joint aerial mosquito spraying Wednesday June 14th over federal properties on Craney Island, adjacent city properties, and the Churchland area in Portsmouth.

Crabbe Aviation, LLC of Mechanicsville, Virginia, will conduct the aerial spraying between 7:00 a.m. and 10 p.m. in areas north of state Route 164, weather permitting. The contractor will spray liquid mosquito larvicide to target developing mosquitoes during the morning, then will conduct treatment to target adult mosquitoes that evening.

Beekeepers in the affected areas should keep bees covered during spraying operations, and people with known allergies should stay indoors.

If conditions don't allow spraying Wednesday, the backup date is Thursday the 15th.

The Portsmouth Mosquito Hotline, 757-393-8666, will provide continuous updates on Tuesday's aerial mosquito spraying.

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