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Craney Island, Portsmouth spraying targets adult mosquitoes

NORFOLK, Va. –The Norfolk District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the City of Portsmouth will conduct joint aerial mosquito spraying next week at federal properties on Craney Island as well as adjacent city properties and the Churchland area in Portsmouth.

Aerial spraying will occur in areas north of state Route 164.

Crabbe Aviation L.L.C. of Mechanicsville, Va. will conduct aerial spraying between the hours of 4 and 7 p.m. Oct. 19, weather permitting.

The contractor will use an Air Tractor, a fixed-wing aircraft to spray Trumpet EC, a formulation of Dibrom to target flying adult mosquitoes. The plane will conduct low-flying spray operations in the area.

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

If conditions don't allow spraying Oct. 19, the inclement weather date is Oct. 20.

Updates for the aerial mosquito spraying will be available on the Portsmouth's Mosquito Hotline, 393-8666, after 11 a.m. Oct. 18,

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