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Craney Island mosquito spraying scheduled

NORFOLK, Va. –The Norfolk District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the City of Portsmouth will conduct a joint aerial treatment with mosquito larvicide this week at the Craney Island Dredged Material Management Area, or CIDMMA, and wetlands in Portsmouth, Va.

Crabbe Aviation L.L.C. will treat 500 acres at CIDMMA and 50 acres of wetlands in Portsmouth Friday, Oct. 1, weather permitting.

All areas scheduled for treatment are located in north Churchland over Federal and city property.

The treatment consists of a granular mosquito larvicide product that specifically targets developing mosquito larvae. The larvicide poses no threat to humans or animals. The contractor will use an Air Tractor, a fixed-wing aircraft similar to aircraft used for crop dusting.

If conditions don't allow spraying Oct. 1, the inclement weather date is Saturday, Oct. 2. For updates and the status of the spray operations, call the Portsmouth Mosquito Hotline at 393-8666 after 12 p.m. on Sept. 30.

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