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Corps, Portsmouth schedule mosquito spraying

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

Crabbe Aviation L.L.C. will conduct aerial spraying between the hours of 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7, weather permitting.

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

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 be conducting low-flying spray operations in the area.

Beekeepers are asked to keep their bees covered during the spraying operations in their particular area and individuals with known allergic reactions are advised to stay indoors.

If conditions do not allow for spraying on May 7, the inclement weather date is Monday, May 9.

Updates for the aerial mosquito spraying will be available on the Portsmouth Mosquito Control Hotline after 11 a.m. Friday, May 6. The hotline is available at 393-8666, extension 7324.

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