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**Media Advisory**

*Aerial spraying completed last night in northern Washtenaw and southern Livingston*

YPSILANTI, Mich., Oct 06, 2019 – A small portion of Webster and Northfield Townships in northern Washtenaw County was treated last night, Saturday, Oct. 5, to control for mosquitoes that carry Eastern Equine Encephalitis, or EEE.

Aerial spraying is being carried out in parts of the state with confirmed human or animal cases of EEE to decrease mosquitoes that can carry the potentially deadly virus. As of Oct. 6, Washtenaw County has no human or animal cases of EEE. The area targeted for spraying in Washtenaw County is within a 2.5 mile radius of a confirmed animal case in neighboring Livingston County.

No hard frost is expected for several weeks in lower Michigan. Additionally, mosquito trappings this week indicated that the mosquitoes known to spread EEE were still active, which is unusual for this time of year. No short-term or long-term risks to human health are expected during or after spraying. Application conducted at night will minimize risk to daytime foragers such as bees.

We strongly encourage preventing mosquito bites whenever possible.

Media inquiries, please contact Susan Ringler Cerniglia with Washtenaw County Health Department at 734-678-7010 or [ringlers@washtenaw.org](mailto:ringlers@washtenaw.org).

Details about the EEE outbreak in Michigan and the situation in Washtenaw County are available on our [website](#) and at [www.Michigan.gov/eee](http://www.Michigan.gov/eee).

See more about Washtenaw County Health Department at [www.washtenaw.org/health](http://www.washtenaw.org/health) or on our social media accounts @wcpublichealth.

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