Chatham County Mosquito Control Disease Threat and Nuisance Levels

CHATHAM COUNTY, GA – (July 24, 2017) Chatham County Mosquito Control will be sending out the Mosquito Forecast each week. The purpose is to let residents know the potential disease threat and nuisance level of mosquitos for each week.

We will be posting the graphic on the Chatham County Mosquito Control Facebook page every Monday as well as sending out to our media partners.

As always, residents are always encouraged to remember the 5 D’s of Prevention:

- **Dusk/Dawn** – Mosquitoes usually bite at dusk and dawn, so avoid or limit outdoor activity at these times.

- **Dress** – Wear loose-fitting, long sleeved shirts and pants to reduce the amount of exposed.

- **DEET** – Cover exposed skin with an insect repellent containing DEET, which is the most effective repellent against mosquito bites.

- **Drain** - Empty any containers holding standing water because they are excellent breeding grounds for virus-carrying mosquitoes.

- **Doors** – Make sure doors and windows are in good repair and fit tightly, and fix torn or damaged screens to keep mosquitoes out of the house.

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Mosquito Forecast
For the Week of July 22-28

Nuisance Level

Disease Threat

The rainfall that has been occurring over the last couple of weeks has had a dramatic affect on mosquito activity. Not only has this allowed an increase in larval production and their subsequent development into adults, but it has also curtailed Mosquito Control’s ability to conduct control efforts. We have recently detected both West Nile and eastern equine encephalitis virus in mosquitoes from the county, and will be conducting treatment missions throughout the week, including weekends pending weather conditions. Please remember to call Mosquito Control if you have any mosquito related problems in your neighborhood.

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