

Sarah Kane

From: Debra Unger on behalf of Darin Atteberry
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 2:28 PM
To: Gerry Horak
Cc: City Leaders; Mike Calhoon; Kelly DiMartino; Sarah Kane
Subject: RE: District Six Meeting Today and WNV Concerns/Questions (Council SAR #23579)

Categories: Timely or Council Packet Item

Gerry,

Please see the response below from Parks Supervisor Mike Calhoon re: your questions about West Nile virus:

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**1. Have we asked CSU to notify their students, faculty and staff on the spraying dates/times, zones, etc? Not knowing the answer I sent an email to Tony Frank, Tom Milligan and Jody Donovan requesting this.**

Yes, we have been in contact with Dell Rae Moellenberg who is an Extension Specialist with the Public Relations Office at CSU.

**2. We need to make it easier for folks to see where they can input their email addresses to receive WNV notifications.**

We have updated the [www.fcgov.com/westnile](http://www.fcgov.com/westnile) page to better highlight the subscription service.

**3. Are the routes of the trucks available so folks would know approximately the start, route and finish to then estimate when a truck will be in their area?**

Unfortunately, no. The schedule changes very quickly to accommodate outdoor events to minimize exposure to large groups of people. We are providing [Mosquito Spraying Progress Maps](#) which are intended to improve access to information and to help determine when the spray trucks are in a general area. These maps show the progress of mosquito spray trucks throughout the City while spraying is being conducted. The images are generated every 30 minutes showing the location of the spray trucks.

**4. Some out of city residences were called and told that if they were in the city that spraying would occur but not notified that spraying in their area would occur.**

The County Health Department is tasked with notifying County residences.

**5. Can signs be place in parks and trails that the area was sprayed?**

Yes, if the decision is made that this is an effective tool.

**6. How are we notifying folks who do not read the newspaper and/or do not have a land line. Especially those folks in low income areas?**

There is an email subscription service, public service announcements, and door hangers during Level Two of the Program Response Guidelines.

**7. How is the city coordinating with HOA who have already or will be spraying too?**

We are not at the moment.

**8. Please provide the names of the advisory committee? Please post those names on the web site.**

The committee is comprised of one representative of the Natural Resources Advisory Board, one representative of the Air Quality Advisory Board and one representative of the Larimer County Medical Society who is a local doctor. We are seeking their permission to provide their names.

**9. Apparently the contractor is directly answering citizen questions on the spraying. Citizens want city employees to answer these questions and concerns.**

There are several City employees fielding calls but there are some questions that are better answered by the contractor.

**10. Why could we not use the LETA system for notifications?**

We do. There are limitations to the system and it has not been as effective as desired.

**11. Why are we not going door-to-door to notify folks?**

Time and labor restrictions.

**12. Vehicles are spraying folks as they conducting outdoor activities. What if anything are we doing to minimize this?**

We collect schedules from Parks and Recreation, CSU and PSD along with the contacts from individual, churches and clubs in an effort to avoid large outdoor gatherings. This is the main reason that timing of application in a particular part of town is so difficult to predict.

**12. Can we provide some advance notification just prior to the spraying on a street?**

The truck tracking program was designed to assist in this area.

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Staff time: 35 minutes

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Darin

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BTW - have 20-25 folks attend.

Thanks

Gerry

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