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City of Castroville to Fog for Mosquitos

One-day project on October 19, 2016

Castroville, TX (October 06, 2016) – The City of Castroville will be fogging for mosquitos throughout the City limits and all Park areas on October 19, 2016. This spraying will be conducted between the hours of 8:00 pm and 10:00 pm. The City has contracted with Century Pest Control Inc. for this project. This will be the last fogging for this season unless the population of mosquitos continues due to weather conditions.



Please call Public Services at 830-931-4090 with any questions or visit www.castrovilletx.gov for more information.

MOSQUITO FOGGING PREPARATION FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AREA

- Start time in the area is between 8 - 10 pm and will conclude in about 1 – 3 Hrs.
- Residents should close all windows and keep children and all pets indoors during the evening of service.
- Public events need to be considered when scheduling fogging services such as High School Football games, Festivals and Neighborhood events.
- Residents can call Century Pest Control at 210-344-8002 for questions concerning the service. Please ask for Chas Angelini.
- Service will not be performed if weather conditions are unfavorable such as strong winds and or rain. A canceled service due to weather is usually reset within 72 hrs.
- Do not approach service vehicle while yellow caution lights are flashing.
- The application equipment is capable of delivering the fog along roadways and front yards.

Optimal conditions can carry the fog even further providing even greater results. Although not necessary, residents may want to cover gardens and rinse exposed food with clean water upon consuming.

Homeowners can effectively reduce the number of mosquitoes around their homes and neighborhoods by eliminating sources and habitats prone to mosquito breeding and sustaining their life cycle. The following tips are the most common causes of breeding mosquitoes.

- Old tires, cans, pails, and other water holding containers are ideal breeding sites. Store them upside down or get rid of them.
- Fill in or drain low spots in your yard.
- Keep ditches, drains, and culverts clear of weeds and trash so that water will drain properly.
- Drain water from tarps or plastic sheeting which cover wood piles, boats, etc.
- Keep eaves troughs clean of leaves and debris.
- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store them inside when not in use. Unused backyard swimming pools may also create breeding problems.
- Change bird bath water weekly.
- Fill in tree rot holes and hollow stumps with sand or concrete.
- Keep boats/canoes covered or upside down.
- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well-trimmed so that adult mosquitoes will not hide there in the daytime.
- Use a fine mesh screen on top of rain barrels so that female adults cannot reach the water surface to lay eggs.