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### **West Nile Virus prevention measures**

- **Check your property for breeding sites.** Eliminate any sources of standing water.
- **Limit time spent outdoors** during peak mosquito biting times.
- **Wear loose, light-colored clothing,** pants and long sleeve shirts.
- **Apply an insect repellent** that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535 to clothing and exposed skin.

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## For Immediate Release

### **West Nile virus still a threat; City of New Haven to spray on Thursday**

*FORT WAYNE, Ind. (Sept. 28, 2009).* – The health department has found mosquitoes positive for West Nile virus in New Haven and the city will be spraying in the area on Thursday.

Mosquitoes carrying the virus were identified in a sample collected in the 2600 block of Dellwood Drive in Adams Township. The City of New Haven will conduct its own spraying in a half-mile radius of the area on Thursday evening, if weather allows.

Residents of New Haven who have questions about the spraying should call 260-748-7050.

Mosquitoes can carry the West Nile virus which, when transmitted to humans, can cause symptoms such as fever, headaches, body aches, swollen lymph glands or a rash. A more severe form of the disease can lead to neurological disorders, coma and even death.

Residents are encouraged to prevent mosquito bites by eliminating standing water on their property, wearing long-sleeved shirts and pants when outdoors and by using insect repellent.

For more information or to sign up to receive mosquito spraying notifications by email, visit [www.allencountyhealth.com](http://www.allencountyhealth.com).

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