PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY MOSQUITO ADULTICIDES

On or after April 20th, 2025, the Otter Creek Watershed Insect Control District (OCW) may be making ground applications of adulticides along the public and private roads in the towns of Brandon, Goshen, Leicester, Pittsford, Proctor, and Salisbury to control adult mosquito populations. Applications of PermaSease (a family of synthetic pyrethroid insecticides) will be made with ultra-low volume truck-mounted sprayers. Zenivex E-4 RTU (a non-ester pyrethroid) may be substituted for PermaSease.

At least six hours in advance of spraying to control adult mosquitoes, specific route information and the pesticide(s) to be used will be posted to https://ocwicd.com/public-notice. The OCW also provides email notifications of all planned spraying. To subscribe to the spraying notification email list, please send a request to: ocwicd@gmail.com.

The OCW's published spray routes can be viewed at: https://ocwicd.com/route-maps.

The OCW call center phone number is (802) 247-6779; the call center will take requests for treatment during the season.

If you wish to opt out of <u>all</u> adult mosquito treatment and not have the road(s) abutting your property sprayed, please send a written request to the OCW. If you submitted an opt out (No Spray Zone) request for your property last year AND there have been no changes in ownership, contact information, or property boundaries, an email to the OCW containing your 911 address and requesting No Spray Zone status again this year will suffice. If you did not submit an opt out request last year and/or there have been changes in ownership, contact information, or property boundaries, please send a letter to the OCW address given below listing the name(s) of the property owner(s), his/her/their contact telephone number(s), the 911 address of the property, and a property map which clearly shows the property boundaries along the public right of way. Property maps can be obtained from Town Clerks or online at https://maps.vcgi.vermont.gov/ParcelViewer. Upon receipt of your request an OCW employee will contact you and then will mark your property as a No Spray Zone. Opt-out requests must be renewed annually.

In accordance with paragraph 6.07 (a) of the Vermont Rule for the Control of Pesticides, the OCW has obtained a permit to conduct truck-mounted mosquito adulticide applications from the Secretary, Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food, and Markets.

Further information can be obtained from:

Jeff Schumann, OCW Board of Trustees Chair

Or questions mailed or emailed to:
Otter Creek Watershed Insect Control District
P.O. Box 188
Brandon, VT 05733
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ocwicd@gmail.com
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Comments or complaints about OCW adulticide spraying operations should be addressed to:

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