



TUSCOLA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT

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Tuscola County Mosquito Abatement will tentatively begin larviciding (treatment of mosquito larvae in standing water) in seasonally flooded woodlots starting the week of Monday, April 5, 2010. This treatment will be completed during daylight hours, Monday-Friday. Sites treated in the past are currently scheduled for treatment. If your property has not been treated in the past we will start taking requests for treatment on April 5th. Nighttime adulticiding treatments will not begin until a mosquito hatch occurs. Typically this happens during early to mid-May, but is greatly affected by the weather.

Most people think of nighttime spraying (adulticiding) as mosquito control. This is only a one part of the program to control mosquitoes. During the spring and throughout the summer crews treat various types of standing water to kill the developing larvae; this reduces the number of mosquitoes that hatch into biting adults. Property owners are reminded that they can help reduce pesky mosquitoes by eliminating standing water whenever possible, removing artificial containers such as tires, buckets, and kiddie pools, as well as clearing debris from ditches. Residents with questions about treatment are encouraged to call the office at 989-672-3748.