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Lots of rain means lots of mosquitoes; Farmers Branch to spray entire City Wednesday night

FARMERS BRANCH ~ The record rainfall in May, followed by the introduction of summer heat in June, has predictably led to a higher than average proliferation of the mosquito population in north Texas, according to Farmers Branch Environmental Health Manager Katy Evans.

As a proactive measure, the entire City will be sprayed for mosquitoes, beginning at 9 p.m. Wednesday night and concluding no later than 5 a.m. Thursday morning. Three trucks will be used in order to cover the entire City in a single night.

Residents are advised, as a precaution, to bring in pet dishes or cover them, cover aquatic ponds, fish ponds and birdbaths and do not go outside during the posted hours.

Combined with prevention efforts, City officials believe that spraying will impact mosquito populations.

"But, it's an ongoing effort throughout the warmer months," Ms. Evans said. "As always, we remind residents to drain standing water, use insect repellent with DEET, and to avoid being outdoors at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active."

Mosquito dunks (larvacide briquettes), for the treatment of standing water, are available free of charge (limit one per household) at Farmers Branch City Hall and at the Farmers Branch Senior Center.

For more information, please call our Mosquito Hotline at 972-919-9868 or visit our website at farmersbranchtx.gov/mosquito.