## **IBERIA PARISH MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Marked increase of floodwater mosquitoes warrants aerial control measures. Weather forecasts are not favorable for confirmed operations on identified nights. Citizens will have to be prepared for modifications to scheduled operations over the next 10 to 12 days prior to Memorial Day Sunday. The Iberia Parish Mosquito Control District will conduct aerial operations Tuesday evening (5/14). It is imperative that citizens follow these simple guidelines recommended by our District and the CDC. Wear repellent as the label directs, avoid activity at Dawn & Dusk, wear light colored clothing to cover exposed skin and eliminate mosquito breeding sites near the home!

If weather allows, aerial operations will begin near sunset and last approximately one (1.5) and one-half hours. Follow up aerial operations are planned ahead of Memorial Day weekend, but weather forecasts are not favorable. The District will make every effort to reduce the biting mosquito populations.

Tuesday (5/14) Lydia, Avery Island, south Port of Iberia, Bayou Jack, College Rd. and all points in between.

During this period, only hypersensitive individuals or persons that wish to avoid all exposure to chemicals in the designated spray area should refrain from outdoor activities; otherwise, all other citizens can proceed with normal outdoor activities!

Citizens will notice low flying aircraft --- If the aircraft is overhead <u>DO NOT</u> attempt to follow the path of the aircraft. The aircraft is traveling quickly and will be out of the area in a brief period!

If you have any questions or mosquito related problems feel free to contact our office at (337) 365-4933. Please visit us on the web <u>www.iberiaparishgovernment.com</u> and click on "Mosquito Control". For more information about West Nile Virus and pesticides used for mosquito control please visit <u>www.cdc.gov</u> and <u>www.epa.gov</u>. Like us on Facebook!

For information regarding pesticides (Naled<sup>®</sup>) used for aerial spraying visit <u>www.epa.gov</u> or <u>https://www.epa.gov/mosquitocontrol/naled-mosquito-control</u>

Any questions after office hours please contact Herff Jones (337) 380-7140

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