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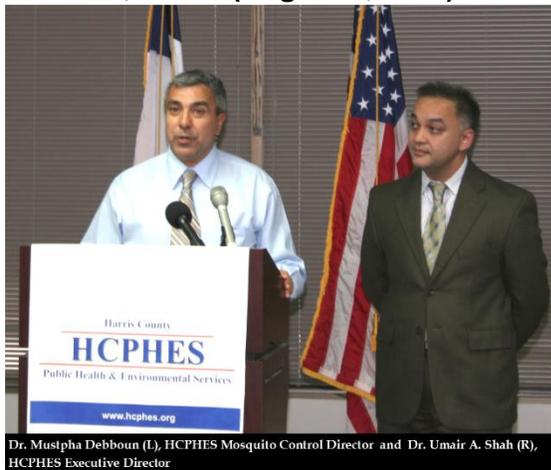
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Aerial Spray Operation Scheduled to Combat West Nile virus (WNV)

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Dr. Mustapha Debboun (L), HCPHES Mosquito Control Director and Dr. Umair A. Shah (R), HCPHES Executive Director

(HCPHES) Mosquito Control Division has scheduled an aerial spray operation for **Thursday evening, August 7, 2014** for portions of northeast and northwest Harris County. The strategy is to spray approximately 138,000 acres by air, weather permitting. **(Attached is the aerial spray map.)**

Dr. Mustapha Debboun, Director of HCPHES Mosquito Control Division says, "Because of the increased number of disease infected mosquitoes detected by our surveillance efforts, this aerial spray operation will help us better protect the health of our community."

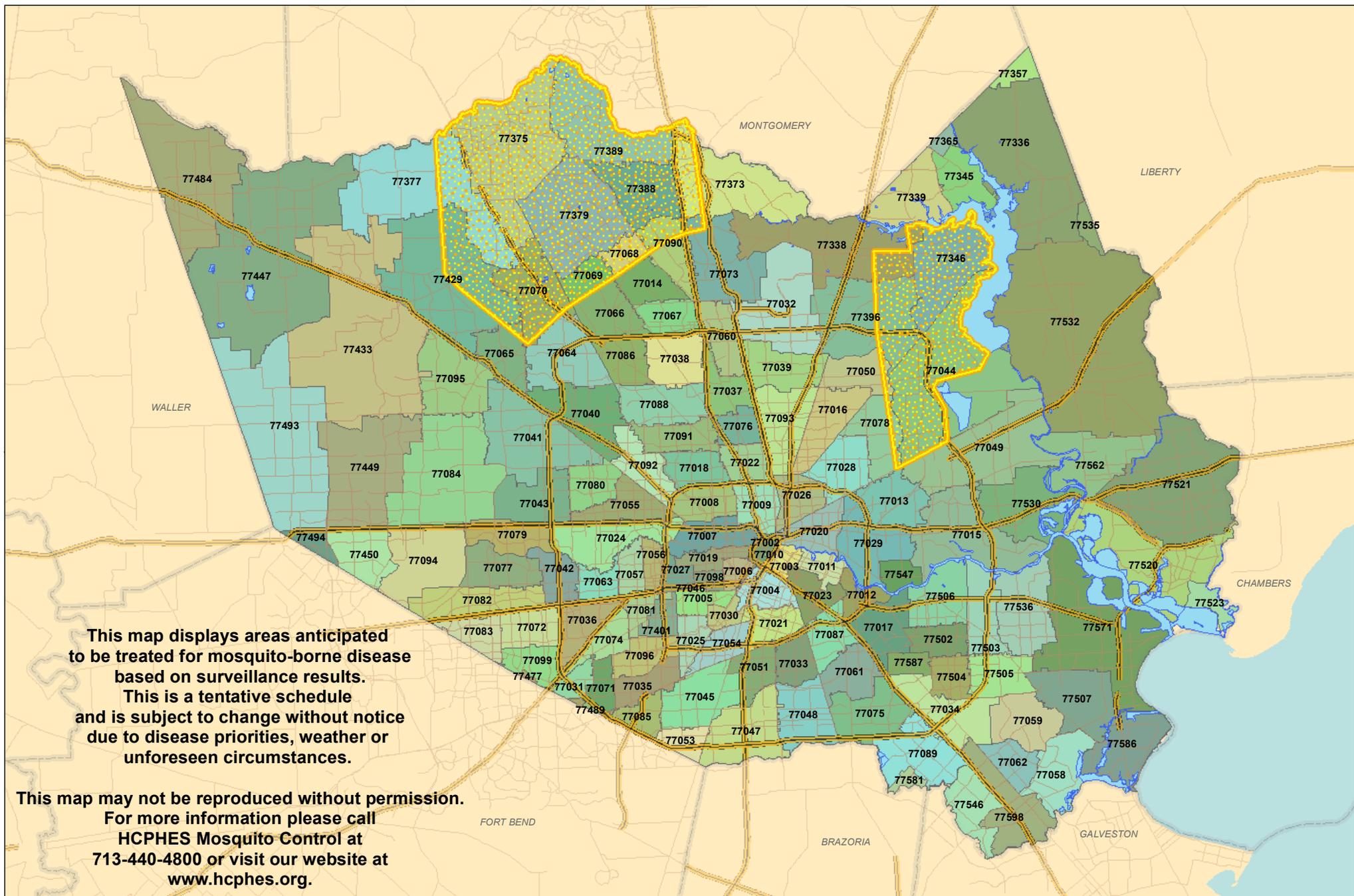
In partnership with Dynamic Aviation, the aerial spray operation will be conducted by Clarke, who has a long history of providing environmentally responsible mosquito control services to help prevent mosquito-borne disease.

The insecticide, Dibrom, (EPA approved), will be used for the aerial spray operation. Dibrom is considered safe for the environment and is applied according to the label instructions.

"I want to remind the community that it is mosquito season in Harris County. It's important to practice personal protective measures, such as applying an insect repellent during outdoor activities. HCPHES continues to encourage residents to eliminate mosquito breeding habitats in and around their property," says Dr. Umair A. Shah, Executive Director of HCPHES.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requires notification to the public when aerial spray operations are to be conducted.

For more information about WNV, please visit our website at www.hcphe.org.



Proposed Aerial Treatment for August 7, 2014

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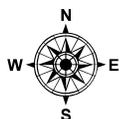
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