

MDHP EEE Aerial Spraying Published 9/10/2019 Updated 9/16/2019

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Update for 09/15/2019:

Aerial spraying for Sudbury was done on Saturday night. Please see [Website Map](#) to observe the **Aqua** colored area that had spraying on **September 14th 2019**

Update for 09/12/2019:

Aerial spraying was done in portions Worcester and Norfolk Counties last night.

Update for 09/11/2019:

Truck Mounted Spraying that was scheduled for last night in the southern portion of Sudbury has been completed.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has mandated EEE aerial spraying for all **critical risk** communities. Sudbury is considered critical risk and aerial spraying in these communities will commence this evening (Tuesday Sept, 10 2019) at dusk. Spraying is scheduled for 5 to 6 days throughout the targeted communities. Because there are 57 towns involved in this effort, the MDPH and the Massachusetts Dept. of Agriculture cannot pinpoint what communities will be sprayed on what days. The Aerial Spraying [Website map](#) will be updated daily.

Please call the following numbers for inquiries about spraying **617-626-1700 and 617-983-6800**.

All residents are encouraged to continue adhering to all advisories that have been in place since the EEE outbreak.

[Link to MDHP announcement for Critical and High Risk Communities](#)

Important: Sudbury residents who did not receive Emergency notification from the town about spraying, please call the Sudbury Police Department at **(978) 443-1042** or Fill out the [SMART911 Form](#) to register for Town Wide Emergency Calls.

For residents who would like to receive Email notifications from specific departments please click on this link: [Department Notifications](#)

EEE Responses to FAQ Published 9/9/2019 updated 9/11/2019

UPDATE – 9/11/2019 EEE Frequently Asked Questions and Answers – SEE BELOW

The Sudbury Board of Health called an emergency meeting on Sunday, September 8th to discuss an organized and appropriate response for the confirmed case of EEE. The following measures were voted on and approved:

1. The Board voted unanimously to conduct town-wide truck mounted mosquito spraying to reduce the remaining mosquito population as an effective measure to reduce EEE risk. This action is supported by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) and will be conducted by the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project.
2. The Board voted unanimously to continue advising residents to adhere to all MDPH recommendations and guidelines that can be found at <https://www.mass.gov/guides/eee-in-massachusetts>. These guidelines are continually being revised and residents are encouraged to visit the site frequently.
3. The Board voted unanimously to instruct the Director of Public Health to continue an educational campaign utilizing the town website and MDPH websites as primary methods to distribute information. The Board instructed the Health Director to prioritize EEE response and to attend all town meetings to support Boards and committees.
4. The Board voted unanimously to prioritize continued evaluation of current relevant data on EEE and response, including spraying. The Director must continually advise the Board until the threat is diminished and take appropriate action to protect public health.

All boards, committees, and staff are contributing to a unified response.

EEE EMMCP Truck Mounted Spraying Published 9/7/2019 Updated 9/10/2019

The East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project is planning to use a truck mounted aerosol sprayer to apply Sumithrin in Sudbury on **Monday, September 9th** and **Tuesday, September 10th**. Spraying will be done between dusk and 11:30 PM.

On **Monday, September 9th**, spraying is scheduled for areas of Sudbury that are located north of Route 27.

If spraying is postponed, it will be rescheduled for **Thursday, September 12th**.

On **Tuesday, September 10th**, spraying is scheduled for areas of Sudbury that are located south of Route 27.

If spraying is postponed, the area will be split up and be rescheduled for **Monday, September 16th** and **Tuesday, September 17th**.

Please use precautions to protect against EEE. Visit the [MDPH website](#) to get details and information specific to EEE.

The Project uses a spray formulation containing the pesticide product, [Anvil](#), to control mosquitoes. [Anvil](#) contains the pesticide Sumithrin, which is a pyrethroid that is classified as slightly toxic by the EPA. Mosquito control applications of sumithrin do not pose a significant risk to people or their pets due to the low toxicity of sumithrin and the small amount used to control mosquitoes. As with any pesticide, people should minimize exposure. If residents see a spray truck approaching, they are advised to go indoors for a couple of minutes while the spray dissipates. Residents are also advised to close windows facing the street. Beekeepers do not need to take any special precautions, because spraying begins after dusk.

The weekly spray schedule can be found on the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project website at <https://sudbury.ma.us/emmcp/>

If residents have any questions related to the spraying or any questions on mosquitoes, call the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project at 781-899-5730.

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