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Mosquito Spraying – August 20

Craney Island mosquito spraying scheduled

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will conduct an aerial treatment with mosquito larvicide this week at the Craney Island Dredged Material Management Area (CIDMMA) in Portsmouth, Va. Crabbe Aviation L.L.C., the Corps' aerial mosquito control contractor, will treat 250 acres at CIDMMA on Monday, Aug. 20 (weather permitting).

The treatment will consist of a granular mosquito larvicide product that specifically targets developing mosquito larvae. The larvicide poses no threat to humans or animals. The contractor will be using an Air Tractor, a fixed-wing aircraft similar to aircraft used for crop dusting. All work will be performed over Federal property, away from adjacent residential areas. This is the first of two aerial treatments planned in 2007.

For more information, visit www.nao.usace.army.mil/mosquitoes or call 201-7130.