

Spoil a mosquito's dinner plans Protect yourself ... Cover up ... Wear repellent

NOTICE OF PESTICIDE USE

York Region West Nile virus Mosquito Control Program:

From May 16, 2011 to October 7, 2011, The Regional Municipality of York in conjunction with the York Region District School Board and York Catholic District School Board will be conducting a larvicide program under the authority of the Medical Officer of Health. The purpose of the program is to control larval mosquitoes to prevent their development into carriers of West Nile virus.

The pellet formulation of the larvicide methoprene (product name Altosid), with Registration No. 21809 or the Altosid XR briquets (methoprene) with Registration No. 27694 under the Pest Control Products Act or Bacillus sphaencus (product name VectoLex WSP) with Registration No. 28009 under the Pest Control Products Act will be placed into catch basins along roads and in catch basins on private property as required.

In addition, the biological larvicide Bacillus thuringiensis subspecies israelensis (product name Aquabac XT), with Registration No. 26860 or Aquabac 200G with Registration No. 26863 under the Pest Control Products Act or VectoLex CG Registration No. 28008 under the Pest Control Products Act may be placed in ditches and temporary or permanent pools including storm water retention ponds if evidence of mosquito breeding is found.

All larvicide will be applied by Ministry of the Environment licensed applicators or trained technicians.

Larviciding is a low risk and effective way to control West Nile virus when used according to label directions. The slow-release pellet formulation interferes with the mosquito life cycle, preventing the mosquito larva from reaching maturity. It is not sprayed. The products have been approved by both the provincial and federal governments and are considered low risk for humans, pets and the environment.

For exact locations and dates of larvicide treatment contact:

York Region *Health Connection* at 1-800-361-5653, TTY: 1-866-252-9933

York Region District School Board at 1-800-268-1660 or visit www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/wnv

York Catholic District School Board 1-800-363-2711 or visit www.ycdsb.ca

Prevention and protection are the best ways to protect yourself and your family from West Nile virus. For simple and common sense precautions that should be taken, contact York Region *Health Connection* at

1-800-361-5653, TTY: 1-866-252-9933 or visit www.york.ca/westnile







SERVICES: Eight days this summer

Minimal disruption when municipal offices move

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Civil weddings will likely have to wait a week and the town's website may go down for a day or two, but the municipality is hoping disruptions to its administrative services will be minimal during its move from 37 Sandiford Dr. to 111 Sandiford Dr. this summer.

"The public will notice some services will be delayed or not available but it will only be for a short period of time," said Dave Cash, CAO for the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville. "Our goal is to minimize the impact on the public."

Although the move is just 230 metres down the road, it's going to take more than a few buddies on a Saturday afternoon, a cube van, case of beer and some pizza to complete.

The move is expected to take up to eight days and will cost \$30,075.

Five contractors submitted bids for the move, which is expected to take place during the last week of July and the first week of August.

Tippet Richardson Ltd. came in with the lowest bid of \$30,075, which will be paid for out of the new town hall capital budget, according to a May 3 report to council by Rob Raycroft, director of leisure services for the

Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Approximately 90 people are being moved down the road to the new town hall, which is the former Cook Canada building.

The transformation of the facility from a physician equipment and supply company to the town hall is budgeted to cost \$10.15 million.

Fire hall tour, bike rodeo combined

Children will have their control and road safety skills tested during this year's Bike Safety Rodeo Saturday.

A bicycle course will be set up in the Weldon Road fire station parking lot for kids to practise their cycling skills just in time for the start of the season.

"It's both fun and educational," said Joanne lannuzzi, chairperson of the Stouffville Community Policing Centre, which is hosting the event.

The bike rodeo is being held in conjunction with the fire hall's open house.

Along with tours, displays and demonstrations, there will be a barbecue.

The community policing centre will also be doing fingerprinting of children.

The event runs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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