

Jonesboro, AR Monthly Report July 2003

To the Distinguished Members of the Jonesboro Mosquito Control Committee;

Recent rains along with the continual "pumping up" of area rice fields have kept mosquito hatches continual on a 5-10 day cycle. We just seem to "catch up" then we start all over again.

Our 22 light traps in the city of Jonesboro have shown this increase with an average of 37.9 mosquitoes per trap. In contrast, our control traps are averaging over 566.8 mosquitoes per trap per 2 trap total.

In response to this increase nightly fogging of Jonesboro averaged 6.75 nights per week using 866 gallons of adulticide. Along with this "ground attack", aerial treatment of the city was performed on the 2nd, 11th, 23rd, 28th of July and the 4th of August, using over 655 gallons of adulticide for these applications.

Aerial larviciding of rice fields, within a 2 mile buffer zone of Jonesboro, concluded on or about the 11th of July. During the entire rice field larviciding season a total of 3,080 gallons of B.T.I. was used which converts to 1,078,000 gallons of actual mix of larvicide. Over 1,000,000 acres of rice were treated during this time frame.

Urban larviciding slowed somewhat during mid-July due to dry conditions, but is now back in high gear due to recent rainfall. Areas which harbor mosquito species which vector the West Nile Virus, St. Louis Encephalitis, and Eastern Equine Encephalitis are closely monitored and treated on a weekly basis.

During the month of July the Jonesboro V.D.C.I. office received 184 service requests, 42 were for parties, bar-b-ques, 4th of July events, etc.

The following is a detailed report of July operations:

Adulticiding

Zones	#of times sprayed
1	5
2	13
3 4	13
	18
5	16
6	13
7	2
8	14
9	5
10	11
11	12

^{*}Total Adulticide Usage- 866 gallons

LarvicidingTotal Larvicide Usage-29 lbs. granular B.T.I. Altosid Tabs- 26

North Light Traps			
7-09-03		7-15-03	
<u>Location</u>	Count	<u>Location</u>	<u>Count</u>
Sugar Ridge	4	Sugar Ridge	0
Shady Lane	72	Shady Lane	100
Strawfloor	32	Strawfloor	5
McClure	128	McClure	144
Viking	no run	Viking	14
ASU	5	ASU	5
Oakhill	264	Oakhill	88
Beanie	4	Beanie	3
N. Church	3	N. Church	2
Pleasantview	6	Pleasantview	4
Total	518	Total	365
Control	784	Control	522
Avg per trap	57.5	Avg per trap	36.5
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7-18-03		7-22-03	•
<u>Location</u>	<u>Count</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Count</u>
Sugar Ridge	7	Sugar Ridge	0
Shady Lane	48	Shady Lane	0
Strawfloor	20	Strawfloor	24
McClure	46	McClure	40
Viking	6	Viking	7
ASU	5	ASU	2
Oakhill	76	Oakhill	72
Beanie	4	Beanie	0
N. Church	4	N. Church	3
Pleasantview	40	Pleasantview	4
Total	225	Total	152
Control	416	Control	416
Avg per trap	22.5	Avg per trap	16.8
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South Light Traps

7-8-03 Location Ashwood Ridgepointe Pickering Briarcrest Frog Pond Harrisburg Cottage Home Gerald's Matt Total Control Avg per trap	Count 30 104 240 12 76 14 6 3 4 489 616 54.3	7-11-03 Location Ashwood Ridgepointe Pickering Briarcrest Frog Pond Harrisburg Cottage Home Gerald's Matt Total Control Avg per trap	Count 5 72 104 1 25 4 1 0 4 216 576 24.0
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South Light Traps (cont)

7-29-03	
<u>Location</u>	Count
Ashwood	21
Ridgepointe	136
Pickering	160
Briarcrest	3
Frog Pond	30
Harrisburg	12
Cottage Home	3
Gerald's	0
Matt	7
Total	372
Control	604
Avg per trap	41.3

The first week of the month of August will be spent in preparation for the "Night Out" events in and around the city. Cooperation from the general public has been terrific and we hope everything goes off as mosquito free as possible.

Again, if there are any questions or concerns, please call upon us at anytime. Your input is vital to our operation and is always welcome.

Sincerely, Jim Stark

Regional Supervisor

V.D.C.I. Mosquito Control