

Erie County Health Department

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Peter T. Schade, MPH, RS Health Commissioner



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Scott Leber, Trustee 2512 Higbee Rd. Monroeville, Ohio 44847

Dear Mr. Leber:

Recent rainfall events may lead to mosquito breeding that can pose a significant public health risk to many county residents. Mosquitoes found in Ohio may carry diseases such as West Nile and possibly Zika Virus. Our sanitarians respond to all complaints of standing water by treating problem areas with larvicide. Larvicide is a corn based product treated with a bacteria that when hand applied to stagnant water will eliminate mosquito larva that may otherwise develop into adult mosquitoes.

We plan to preemptively target those areas where stagnant pooling water is a consistent problem. If your office is aware of any locations where water predictably accumulates and mosquito complaints normally occur, please relay this information to me at my contact information below.

After substantial rainfall events our sanitarians will immediately respond by monitoring these locations and larviciding where appropriate. This aggressive approach will limit mosquito breeding and reduce the potential risks from this harmful vector.

Sincerely,

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