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Cc: Mary Metcalfe; Elaine Reddick
Subject: West Nile Virus 2010 Season- Jurisdictional Authorization

Good morning,

Similar to last year, Oxford County Public Health and Emergency Services will deliver the West Nile Virus (WNV) program through a **modified contingency plan** in 2010 based on local and provincial historical data and active surveillance. The modified contingency plan includes establishing a **standby system** with a service provider for the purpose of larviciding when a risk area has been identified through mosquito surveillance. A contingency for larviciding is planned based on an identified risk area that includes positive WNV in mosquitoes and larvae in the immediate area of a high-risk population. **This means that larviciding will not be initiated until the conditions suggest the necessity for it.**

This is different then in previous years when larviciding of catch basins traditionally commenced around the third week of July and consisted of one treatment with the Altoisod Briquet. In 2008 larviciding of catch basins commenced on July 21st and consisted of one treatment of larvaciding with the Altosiod XR Briquet placed in municipal catch basins in the City of Woodstock, the Towns of Ingersoll and Tillsonburg and the Villages of Norwich and Tavistock. A total of 9,431 Altosid XR Briquets were applied to municipal catch basins.

Part of the standby program includes Oxford County Public Health & Emergency Services requesting **jurisdictional authorization from each municipality** for the purposes of filing our permit application to the Ministry of the Environment. This is in the event we do need to apply a larvicide into catch basins or surface waters. Therefore, I am kindly requesting that each municipality complete the Jurisdictional Authorization template attached to this email and return it to me by **April 28, 2009**.

Please call if you have any questions. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

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Action

April 13, 2010

Dr. D. Neal
Acting Medical Officer of Health
Oxford County Public Health & Emergency Services
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Woodstock, ON, N4S 4N2

Dear Dr. Neal:

The Town of Ingersoll supports local action by Oxford County Public Health & Emergency Services to reduce the risk of West Nile Virus (WNV). Our decision to authorize this action is based on the Health Unit's risk assessment using WNV data from 2002 to 2009 plus future data compiled from the 2010 mosquito surveillance and monitoring program.

As a result, Town of Ingersoll within Oxford County authorizes any permit application for WNV control submitted to the Ministry of the Environment from an appropriately licensed exterminator, to apply a larvicide into catch basins or surface waters:

- located within and owned by the Town of Ingersoll; and
- located on private land that drain into the storm drain system or water ways located within the Town of Ingersoll

In addition, the Town of Ingersoll requests that Oxford County Public Health and Emergency Services provide in writing, to Mr. Cowan, Regional Pesticides Specialist, Ministry of the Environment, an update on which areas have had larviciding completed during the 2010 season.

Sincerely,

Elaine Clark
Clerk/Deputy Administrator

Cc: Tom Cowan
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