

CMAD MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT SPRAY POLICY

The Cache Mosquito Abatement District (CMAD) uses an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program to control mosquitoes, described in the document *Pesticide Use by CMAD*. The District's function is to control mosquitoes. Citizens from 16 communities and the county unincorporated area either voted to form the District in November 2004 or requested annexation into the District since then. CMAD operates under the authority granted in the *Utah Code* (2007)17B-2a-703. Basically, the District has the right to enter all lands inside the district to exterminate mosquitoes and other insects. It can also enter onto lands outside the district if abatement will benefit the district and to control migration of insects into the district.

Courtesy No-Spray Requests

Some citizens do not wish to have adult mosquito control. Many are beekeepers or organic farmers registered with the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF). CMAD has chosen to grant courtesy no-spray requests from individuals with legitimate health reasons or who are beekeepers or organic farmers by not fogging within approximately 100 ft of the approved location.

Beekeepers and organic farmers registered with UDAF are requested to provide a copy of their license. Individuals with special medical problems possibly attributed to insecticide exposure can obtain a physician's written opinion acknowledging pesticide sensitivity, and such people will be given consideration by the District to the extent feasible and practicable. Most people having health-related concerns over insecticide exposures can satisfactorily minimize their concerns by paying attention to the fogging schedule and following common sense measures such as temporarily leaving the fogging area; closing doors, windows, and vents in the house; etc. However, given the safety of the EPA-registered insecticides used and how the products are applied with extremely minimal human health risk, the vast majority will not need to take special precautions.

Once disease has been found in a mosquito pool or sentinel chicken, such as WNV (West Nile virus) or WEE (western equine encephalitis), the courtesy no-spray zones will be decreased or eliminated. CMAD works closely with the public health department (Bear River HD) to track WNV and WEE activity and human cases.

To request being put on the courtesy no-spray list, please visit the website (<http://www.cachemosquito.gov>) and download the form or contact the District at 435-764-6839 to request the form.

General Emergency Waiver

The District, for exceptional circumstances or during a declared vector emergency, may modify this policy on a case-by-case basis. The District reserves the right to modify or nullify any and all courtesy no spray requests.