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Mosquito Control Section

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Community/Individual Representative,

Welcome to the mosquito surveillance and control program offered by the Maryland Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Queen Anne's County Department of Public Works. You will be scheduled for adult mosquito surveillance and possible spraying on **Sunday** nights. **It is your responsibility, as the community contact, to notify all of the residents in your community** of the mosquito control policies and what night you are scheduled to be sprayed. Spraying will occur anytime between the hours of **7:00 PM (Sunday) and 6:00 AM (Monday)**. Please note that while a technician may not visit your community every week (on average biweekly service), it will always be on your assigned night.

Our technicians are instructed to turn the sprayer off when they see people, for this reason we ask that you stay inside when you see or hear the spray truck. For homes that have been approved to have mosquito control personnel enter their driveways or yards, you are required to maintain a clear path and trim any tree limbs and/or brush and remove any objects which may inhibit/damage the spray truck. **Manually operated gates must be left opened if mosquito control personnel are to enter. If it rains or ground is wet yards will not be sprayed.**

The density of the adult mosquito population will be measured by landing rate counts (LRC's) and CDC mosquito light traps. Spraying only takes place when the density of mosquitoes reaches a standard threshold and weather conditions are conducive to successful mosquito control. Please refer to the attached sheet entitled 'Standard Mosquito Control Operating Procedures' for more information. To further assist in reducing your mosquito annoyance, we encourage property owners to remove/empty all unnecessary water holding containers. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated. Please contact our office if you have any questions about our mosquito control program.

Sincerely,

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