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Monthly Update

Wow! What a sizzling start to summer. The drastic change provided no time to adjust to the sweltering temperatures. Humans move slower in hot weather, whereas mosquitoes seek blood more often and tend to reproduce faster. It gives mosquitoes an edge. The wet spring has proved favorable for mosquitoes resulting in the highest population in many years.

Treatment of catch basins started in June and monitoring will be ongoing throughout the season. We continue to use Natular, an organic product that meets the highest standards for environmental stewardship. Treating catch basins can stop mosquito larvae from becoming flying adults that may spread disease to humans.

Trapping adult mosquitoes for disease testing is underway. Traps are set weekly in numerous locations throughout your community. Trap catches are collected and sorted, specimens are identified and select species are sent to the State Lab in Concord where they are tested for disease. As well as submitting mosquitoes for disease testing, the data collected from trapping is an essential part of Dragon's integrated mosquito management program and guides our treatment decisions.

In addition to treating catch basins and trapping mosquitoes, crews continue to check a variety of wetlands sites for mosquito larvae. Some mosquito species have several generations each summer, so their populations may increase as the summer goes along.

During June, Dragon has:

- Checked wetlands for mosquito larvae
- Treated wetlands when necessary with Bti
- Trapped adult mosquitoes
- Sent select mosquito species for disease testing at the State Lab in Concord
- Monitored catch basins for larval mosquito activity
- Treated catch basins with Natular

New Hampshire saw the first detections of EEE at the end of July in the 2024 season. Therefore, at the risk of repeating ourselves, personal protection is the best option to prevent mosquito borne disease. Minimize your risk of infection by wearing long pants, long sleeves and EPA registered insect repellent.