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RESIDENTIAL FOGGING TO BEGIN

Presently no cases of West Nile virus (WNV) have been confirmed in Albany County and the City of Laramie currently rates the risk of infection at level 1 (Remote Risk). This risk assessment is based on low numbers of vector mosquitoes and no reported WNV activity in birds or mosquitoes.

Surveillance indicates that thresholds have been reached to begin fogging operations to control nuisance mosquitoes. Mosquito control crews will be applying Biomist 4+4 in residential areas, Parks, Recreation areas, and on the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail between the hours of 9pm and 4am. The fogger unit is driven by a small motor, which constantly moves a volume of compressed air through the fogger head. The flow of chemical is controlled by the operator from within the cab. The flow of chemical is signaled by an amber light mounted near the nozzle on the rear of the truck and a fog cloud will be visible when the chemical is being applied. These trucks will operate with a continuous amber strobe light on the cab as a caution device for motorists and pedestrians.

Mosquito control application schedules will be available daily on the Mosquito Control and Integrated Pest Management Hotline at 721-5056. The Hotline is updated daily at 4pm and will also list any chemical application made by City of Laramie Parks Division crews. For further

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information contact Keith Wardlaw, Mosquito Control Crew Supervisor at 721-5258 or Mike Zook, Parks Manager at 721-5264.

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