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## FARMINGTON REMINDS RESIDENTS TO TAKE MOSQUITO BITE PREVENTION MEASURES

Farmington, CT – In light of the recent cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in the State of Connecticut, the Town of Farmington would like to remind everyone to protect themselves with insect repellent, while using parks and athletic fields. There is no plan to treat parks with pesticides, at this time. The first line of defense is to prevent mosquito bites by using EPA-registered insect repellent and minimizing exposed skin with long sleeved shirts and long pants. In addition, residents are advised to minimize outdoor activity from dusk to dawn, when mosquitoes are most active.

Farmington has consulted with the Farmington Valley Health District (FVHD) on this matter, and we have been advised that there have not been any positive mosquitos in our area, or surrounding towns. We will continue to monitor the situation and keep in contact with FVHD.

Please visit the following the links for additional information on EEE and preventing mosquito bites:

[https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CAES/DOCUMENTS/Mosquito-Testing/Insect-Repellent-Essentials\\_-\\_A-Brief-Guide\\_FINAL.pdf?la=en](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/CAES/DOCUMENTS/Mosquito-Testing/Insect-Repellent-Essentials_-_A-Brief-Guide_FINAL.pdf?la=en)

<https://www.cdc.gov/features/stopmosquitoes/index.html>

<https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Infectious-Diseases/ID-Home/Eastern-Equine-Encephalitis-EEE--Fact-Sheet>

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