



William W. Stanuszek, Director



April 9, 2020

To: All Township and Village Supervisors
 Fr: William W. Stanuszek, Director
 Re: **2020 Spring Aerial Larviciding Program and COVID-19 Impacts**

Saginaw County Mosquito Abatement Commission's (SCMAC) Spring Aerial Larviciding Program for the control of mosquitoes breeding in seasonally flooded woodlots is tentatively scheduled to begin the week of April 13, 2020. Weather conditions always play a factor in determining when our aerial treatment will commence. Which means the program may start earlier or later than projected start date.

This program involves an aerial contractor, AI's Aerial Spraying from Ovid, Michigan. This contractor has six fixed wing aircraft that will be conducting low level (25 feet above treetops) aerial application over large areas of Saginaw County. Enclosed is a map of your township/village indicating which woodlots will be larvicided (treated pattern-green) and those that will not be larvicided (no treat pattern-red). Also for your information is a copy of the Vectobac G *Bti* label. We would appreciate you keeping this material available for ready reference. If you have any questions, please direct them to our staff at (989) 755-5751. Thank you for your cooperation.

SCMAC is closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation in regards to impacts on our operations and services. SCMAC has been and will continue to follow recommendations and practices established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), State of Michigan, and state and local public health agencies. Currently the Mosquito Control office is closed to the public and will remain so until further notice. If you need to contact us, please call (989)755-5751.

Our services are impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many SCMAC staff are taking necessary precautions. Our goal is to prioritize staff and public safety by observing social distancing guidelines. We are working to continue our services as efficiently as possible with the resources and safety procedures available, but many services will be delayed until the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted and conditions return to normal. To stay updated on changes to services, SCMAC encourages residents to check its website, www.scmac.org and follow us on Facebook.

******* *Bti* Distribution – SCMAC OFFICE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY*******

A decision has been made to distribute *Bti* by appointment only here at SCMAC office tentatively starting May 1st, 2020. It will be "curbside" service. Inventory is limited and re-supplying is an unknown due to current COVID-19 Pandemic. *Bti* pickup will continue while supplies last and follow the below procedure:

- Residents must call office to set up a time to pick up the product
- Mosquito staff will confirm property and size of parcel/water habitat to determine product need/amount
- Resident comes to Mosquito during given "pick up" time.
- Resident calls the office upon arrival and product is brought out to vehicle and placed in trunk or on the curb by mosquito staff.

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- Residents must stay in car as product is placed in vehicle or on the curb.
- **THERE WILL BE NO CONTACT BETWEEN STAFF AND CITIZENS!**

We ask that Township and Village Offices refrain from passing out existing inventories due to current pandemic. We hope that later in the season the opportunity for normal *Bti* distribution with Township partners resumes.

Saginaw Mosquito Control truly appreciates the communities' support and patience during this trying time. We are looking to offer the best semblance of service your community has come to expect, yet we must follow those practices that keep employees, families, and communities safe. If your need further information or have questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (989)755-5751.

Enclosures:
 Township or Village Map, Vectobac G *Bti* Label