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WEST NILE VIRUS CASE CONFIRMED IN KENNEDALE

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The City of Kennedale has confirmed a case of West Nile Virus. To reduce the risk of illness, the City is working with Tarrant County to locate and apply larvicide to areas of standing water. Surveillance of the area will be ongoing. Residents are encouraged to take what steps they can to protect themselves. Follow the “4 D’s” for prevention and protection: 1. DUSK/DAWN are the times of day when mosquitoes are most active, so you should try to stay indoors. 2. DRESS in long sleeves and pants when you’re outside. For extra protection, you may want to spray thin clothing with repellent. 3. DEET is an ingredient to look for in your insect repellent. Always wear repellent when outdoors and choose products that contain up to 20 percent DEET (10 percent DEET for children). 4. DRAIN standing water in your backyard and neighborhood--old tires, flowerpots and clogged rain gutters are just a few sites that mosquitoes use to breed.

If you have questions or are exhibiting symptoms, please call Tarrant County Public Health at 817-321-5350. For more information on the virus, please visit <http://health.tarrantcounty.com>

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