

### **What if CMAD will be spraying in my neighborhood?**

CMAD may spray pesticides to target adult mosquitoes if there is a risk to human health from West Nile virus. Spraying will be concentrated in areas most at risk for disease occurrence and will be conducted by experienced and licensed applicators who are required to follow Utah State Department of Agriculture and EPA requirements. The CMAD is hopeful that with an early and aggressive campaign against mosquito breeding areas, the need for the spraying of pesticides will be reduced.

### **What health risks are posed to people and pets from pesticides for adult mosquitoes?**

In the amounts used, risks to people and pets are relatively low. However, some people may be more sensitive to pesticides and may want to reduce their chance of exposure by following the suggestions below. Anyone experiencing adverse reactions to pesticides should seek medical care or call **Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222**.

### **If CMAD sprays pesticides in an area where I am, what should I do during the spraying?**

If pesticide spraying occurs, UDOH recommends that all individuals take the following precautions to avoid direct exposure to pesticides and reduce the risk of reactions. These are general guidelines for any type of pesticide application. The compound used by CMAD/BRHD is only effective a few hours and quickly breaks down in the environment.

- *Whenever possible, stay indoors during spraying.*
- *Some individuals are sensitive to pesticides. Persons with asthma or other respiratory conditions are encouraged to stay inside during spraying since there is a possibility that spraying could worsen these conditions.*
- *Air conditioners may remain on. But if you wish to reduce the possibility of indoor exposure to pesticides, set the air conditioner vent to the closed position, or choose the recirculate function.*
- *Remove children's toys, outdoor equipment and clothes from outdoor areas during spraying. If outdoor equipment and toys are exposed to pesticides, wash with soap and water before using again.*
- *Wash skin and clothing exposed to pesticides with soap and water.*
- *Always wash your produce thoroughly with water before cooking or eating.*

Anyone experiencing adverse reactions to pesticides should **seek medical care**, call **911** or call the **Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222**.