

BOROUGH'S WEST NILE ABATEMENT ACTION PLAN

In response to its resident concern of transmittal of the West Nile Virus. The Borough of West Chester, has tasked the Public Works Department to implement the following:

- The attainment of Larvicide Applicator Certification by at least two PWD employees.
- Continue to store adequate quantity of dunks at its facility to be made available to Borough residents at their request.
- Elimination of all sumps from existing inlets inspected and found to facilitate ponding.
- Re-double its efforts to keep inlets clean and clear of debris that might inhibit proper drainage.
- All 1,000 inlets shall be treated with larvicide at a minimum of 150-day intervals or as needed as heavy rainfall often displaces packets.
- Establish GIS mapping of current low-lying areas that are deemed susceptible to water ponding.
- Identify potential “Hot Spots” for more frequent scrutiny by the department
- All activities must be consistently coordinated in concert with Chester County Health Department (CCHD) protocol.
- Constant communication must be kept with the CCHD as this will further enable PWD to be proactive with on-going responses, by their ability to provide more detailed inspection and identification of potential breeding grounds.
- Direct residents who observe standing water on properties to call Building, Housing & Code Enforcement at 610-696-1773.