

# Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District

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## ADVISORY

It was reported this morning on many media outlets that there is a strong odor in the air in portions of Orange County. A live media broadcast as well as local departments opined that it was “perhaps Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control spraying for West Nile virus.”

The Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District has not conducted an aerial spraying and this year’s data does not support such drastic measures. The District’s campaign against mosquitoes involve the use of public health pesticides that are registered by the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) and is conducted to prevent human illness or to suppress a heavy nuisance infestation of mosquitoes. The product used last night in Bartlett Park in Huntington Beach is AquaDuet™, which is water-based and odorless. The product was applied from a backpack and was targeted to vegetation where mosquitoes rest; the swath width was limited to 50 feet.

For information on locations and products, go to: <http://www.ocvector.org/GroundBasedAdult.html>

Residents are encouraged to sign up for spray notifications to receive information on spraying occurring in their zip code: <http://www.ocvector.org/alerts.html>

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