



City of Dallas

June 12, 2015

Dear Dallas Beekeepers,

The City of Dallas is currently seeking your input on ways to help protect pollinators from the impacts of pesticide application on City property as well as in response to positive mosquito testing for the West Nile Virus.

Under current protocols, the City of Dallas may commence truck-based spraying for mosquitos, generally in a one-half mile area around a positive trap in population dense areas, from the public streets. This spraying can occur between 9:00 pm and 5:00 am and within 5-7 hours of notification. Given the critical value honeybees and other pollinators play in our food cycle, we would like to get your ideas on ways to protect beehives in Dallas while protecting the public health. Additionally, the City is working on the development of an integrated pest management system for City properties aimed at also helping protect our pollinators and other beneficial insects.

I would like to invite you, Dallas beekeepers and advocates of pollinator protection, to contact my staff in the City's Office of Environmental Quality to participate in the discussion for ways to help protect honeybees and other pollinators in Dallas. Please email or call Kevin Lefebvre at [kevin.lefebvre@dallascityhall.com](mailto:kevin.lefebvre@dallascityhall.com) or 214-671-8150 at your convenience to learn more about upcoming stakeholder input opportunities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank A. Camp".

Frank A. Camp, PhD

Director, Office of Environmental Quality

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