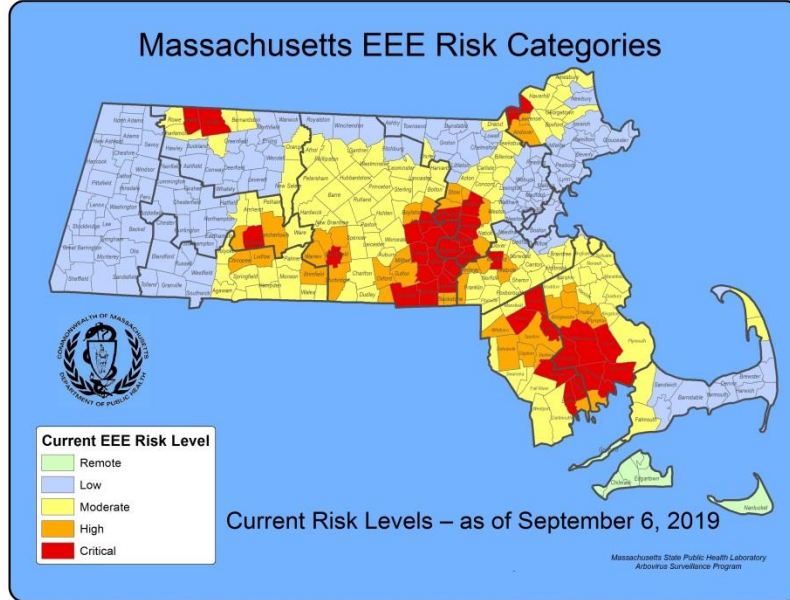




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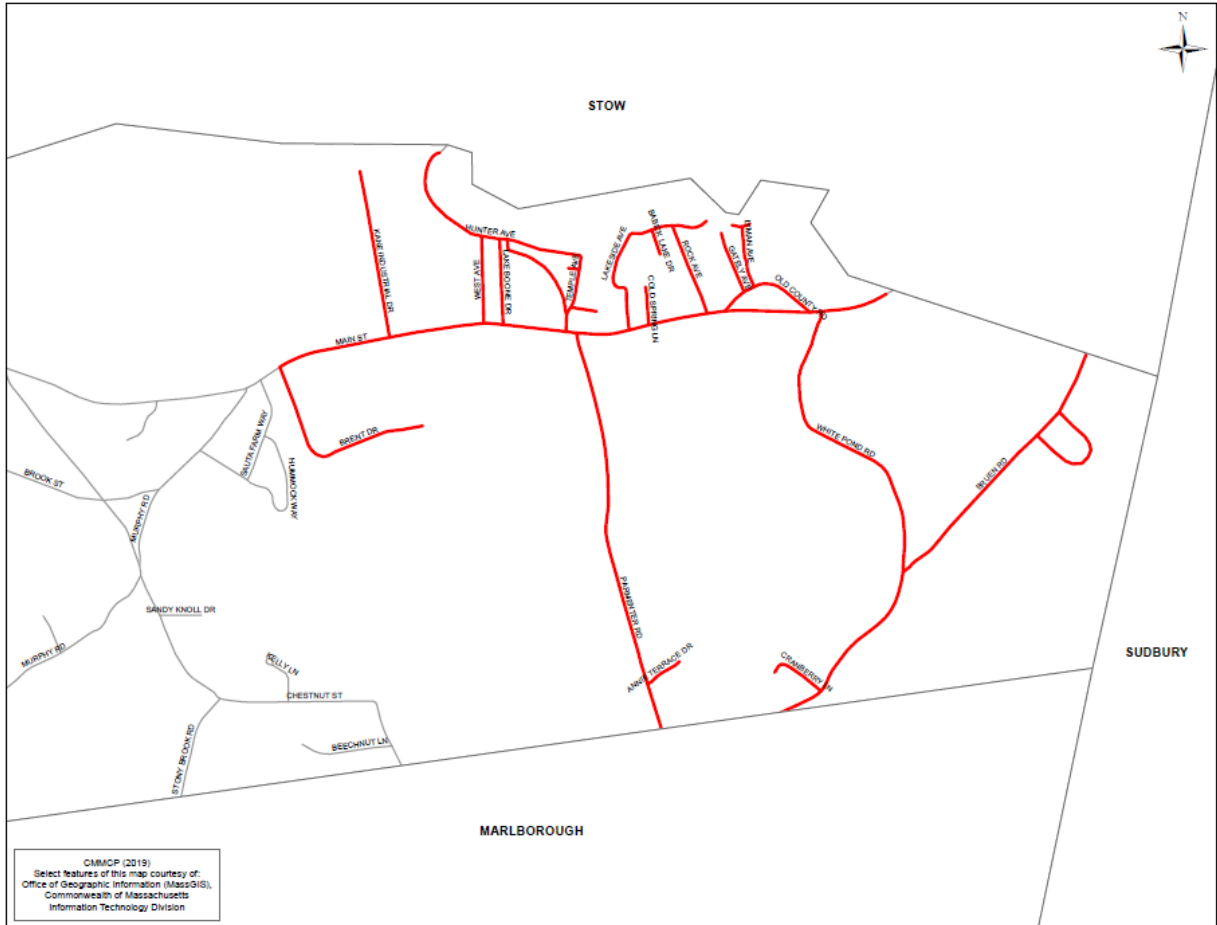
**The Massachusetts Department of Public Health Raises the Risk Level for EEE in Hudson from MODERATE to HIGH.**



The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) announced that laboratory testing has confirmed two new cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) virus infection, a woman in her 60s from eastern Worcester County and a female under the age of 18 from southwestern Middlesex County. This brings the total number of human cases of EEE to seven this year in Massachusetts. **As a result, the risk level in Hudson has been raised from moderate to high.** A map of the state’s current EEE risk levels can be found at: <http://www.mosquitoreresults.com/>.

The Hudson Board of Health is working closely with the Central Mass Mosquito Control and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to conduct targeted ground spraying across Hudson. The Hudson Board of Health is also working with the Hudson Public Schools to conduct a ground spraying of the school district, as a precautionary measure. Below are the tentative spray areas to be sprayed the week of 9/9/2019:

<b>Tentative Spray Areas for Week of 9/9/2019</b>		
Hudson High School	Bruen Dr.	Old County Rd.
Quinn Middle School	Cold Springs Ln.	Parmenter Rd.
Farley Elementary School	Cranberry Ln.	Proctor Ave.
Forest Ave. Elementary	Gately Ave.	Rock Ave.
Mulready Elementary	Hunter Ave.	Silva Ln.
Hubert Elementary	Kane Industrial Dr.	Temple Ave.
Sauta Fields	Lake Boone Dr.	West Ave.
Annie Terrace Dr.	Lyman Ave.	White Pond Rd.
Babick Lake Dr.	Bruen Dr.	Worcester Ave.
Brent Dr.	Main St.	



**Recommended cancellation times for outdoor activities in high risk areas:**

**Due to the elevated risk level, it is strongly recommended to refrain from outdoor activities from dusk to dawn when mosquito activity is at its highest.** The types of mosquitoes most likely to transmit EEE infection are likely to be out searching for food (an animal to bite) at dusk, the time period between when the sun sets and it gets completely dark. The exact timing of this increased activity is influenced by many factors including temperature, cloud cover, wind and precipitation and cannot be predicted precisely for any given day. Here, the approximate time of sunset and sunrise were used to establish standardized recommendations for cancellation and morning start times of outdoor activities during periods of high EEE risk. *This does not eliminate risk nor does it alleviate the need for the use of repellants or clothing for protection from mosquitoes.*

<b>Week of</b>	<b>Time of Dusk</b>	<b>Time of Dawn</b>
September 8, 2019	7:15 PM	5:45 AM
September 15, 2019	7:00 PM	6:00 AM
September 22, 2019	6:45 PM	6:00 AM
September 29, 2019	6:30 PM	6:15 AM
October 6, 2019	6:30 PM	6:15 AM
October 13, 2019	6:15 PM	6:30 AM
October 20, 2019	6:00 PM	6:30 AM
October 27, 2019	6:00 PM	6:45 AM



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### **Important links**

For more information on how to protect yourself and your family, the most up-to-date information, Q&A's, and downloadable fact sheets in multiple languages visit the DPH webpage:

<https://www.mass.gov/guides/eee-in-massachusetts>

For information on EEE in animals, visit: <https://www.mass.gov/wnv-and-eee-in-animals>

For updated risk levels, please visit the mosquito results website: [www.mosquitoreresults.com](http://www.mosquitoreresults.com)

For current spray information, please visit the Central Mass Mosquito Control Project here:

<https://www.cmmcp.org/>

Hudson Health Department website: [www.hudsonhealthdept.org](http://www.hudsonhealthdept.org)

Hudson Board of Health Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HudsonBOH/>

For information about precautions being enacted by the Hudson Public Schools, please refer to this letter from the Superintendent:

English:

<https://docs.google.com/a/hudson.k12.ma.us/viewer?a=v&pid=sites&srcid=aHVkc29uLmsxMi5tYS51c3xocHN8Z3g6MmUzZTE5YmE0NDJjN2Fh>

Portuguese:

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Spanish:

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