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Due to the recent rain events, Ouachita Parish is experiencing increased floodwater mosquito activity. Ouachita Parish Mosquito Abatement District is aware of the issue and is working hard to help alleviate the problem. However, all citizens should be aware of the following:

1. These mosquitoes are not localized to one area of the parish. They are parish wide.
2. As long as the rains continue, these mosquitoes will continue to be active.
3. We are treating daily on a rotational basis as weather allows. During times of inclement weather, we cannot treat.
4. These are floodwater mosquito species. They are not the primary vectors of disease. However, citizens should always take the following precautions when working or playing outdoors:
 - a. Wear long sleeves and pants when possible.
 - b. Avoid scented perfumes and lotions.
 - c. Wear repellent containing EPA approved active ingredients such as DEET, Picaridin, and Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus.
 - d. Those interested in applying products around their homes or businesses should look for products with an active ingredient having the last five letters of THRIN and labeled for the control of mosquitoes.
5. In addition, we will be treating schools and other public facilities on a rotational basis every morning before sunrise as weather permits.

If you need additional information, please contact Ms. Rider.

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