

**RESOLUTION NO. 936 -2010, ESTABLISHING AN
AUTOMATED CALLING POLICY PRIOR TO MOSQUITO
SPRAYING IN SUFFOLK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, controlling the mosquito population in Suffolk County is important to protect the public from mosquito-borne illnesses like West Nile Virus; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Department of Public Works, in coordination with the Department of Health Services Division of Vector Control, sprays pesticides to control the adult mosquito population in high risk areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, it is advised that everyone, especially children, the elderly and expectant mothers, remain indoors during and shortly after adult mosquito spraying to protect their health; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Services maintains an email list to notify interested parties of spraying locations, dates and times; and

WHEREAS, 24 to 48 hours prior to commencing emergency aerial adult sprayings, the Division of Vector Control posts notices on their website, and notifies local newspapers and television stations; and

WHEREAS, the County has the ability through recent technological/communications advances to provide enhanced notice to County residents when their communities are going to be sprayed with pesticides; and

WHEREAS, without this knowledge, residents are more likely to be outside during ground and aerial spraying; and

WHEREAS, the County has an automated caller system called CodeRED, which is capable of making pre-recorded notification calls to landline telephones and also providing similar notice via cell phone and email on an opt-in basis; and

WHEREAS, by January 2011, the County will have a sufficient number of prepaid minutes to make both emergency notifications and adult mosquito spraying calls using the CodeRED system; and

WHEREAS, residents in areas where adult mosquito spraying will be taking place can and should be notified via telephone in advance to reduce their risk of exposure to pesticides; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, the Department of Health Services is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to provide notification by automated telephone call and automated text message to all persons residing in areas where ground and/or aerial adult mosquito control pesticide spraying will occur and all persons residing in areas likely to be affected by such spraying; and be it further

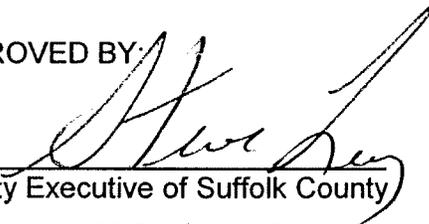
2nd **RESOLVED**, the Department of Health Services is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to use the County's CodeRED system for the purposes of providing automated telephone calls to landlines and similar notice to cellular phones and email on an opt-in basis, informing residents of adult mosquito spraying dates and times; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, the Department of Health Services will be responsible for the content of each message and the time at which such message shall be provided to County residents via automated telephone call or automated text message. Each message shall include a notification to residents that they may opt-in to receive notices via cellular phones and email and informing them of the proper procedures for opting-in to these alternate notification methods; and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: October 12, 2010

APPROVED BY:



County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: OCT 18 2010

SUFFOLK COUNTY
County Legislature
RIVERHEAD, NY



This is to Certify That I, TIM LAUBE, Clerk of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office, and which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of said County on October 12, 2010 and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tim Laube".

Clerk of the Legislature

Intro. Res. 1877 Res. No. 936

October 12, 2010

Motion:
 Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Losquadro
 Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloría-Fisher, Barraga,
 Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

Co-Sponsors:
 Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Losquadro
 Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloría-Fisher, Barraga,
 Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

Second:
 Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Losquadro
 Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Viloría-Fisher, Barraga,
 Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

LD	Legislator	Yes	No	Abs	NP	R
1	Edward P. ROMAINE					
2	Jay H. SCHNEIDERMAN					
3	Kate M. BROWNING					
4	Thomas MURATORE					
6	Daniel P. LOSQUADRO					
7	Jack EDDINGTON					
9	Ricardo MONTANO					
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14	Wayne R. HORSLEY					
15	DuWayne GREGORY					
16	Steven H. STERN					
17	Lou D'AMARO					
18	Jon COOPER					
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8	William J. LINDSAY, P.O.					
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MOTION

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APPROVED FAILED _____
 No Motion _____ No Second _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED

ADOPTED
 NOT ADOPTED

Tim Laube

Roll Call _____ Voice Vote

Tim Laube, Clerk of the Legislature