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### **Mosquito Control Program**

Ledge Light Health District will be providing mosquito control services, including on-site consultation and mosquito dunks (larvicide) to residents in the District. This service is provided free of charge.

Mosquito dunks are a larvicide designed to treat mosquito-breeding sites to lessen the potential for the transmission of mosquito-borne diseases, including West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis and Zika Virus. They are safe for use around the home because they utilize a naturally occurring biological larvacidal.

Breeding sites include standing water in wetland areas or yard depressions, clogged rain gutters, empty garden containers, bird baths, used tire piles and pool covers.

It is important to empty standing water on your property once a week to eliminate potential mosquito breeding. When standing water cannot be removed, using a larvicide will eliminate immature mosquitoes before they can mature into flying adults. Flying adults are much more difficult and costly to eliminate. For no cost, Ledge Light Health District will provide to residents or homeowners associations:

1. A site visit to assess standing water issues and make recommendations for eliminating mosquito breeding conditions.
2. An initial treatment with mosquito dunks.\*
3. A season-long supply of mosquito dunks, until the supply is eliminated.

If residents are interested in learning more about mosquito dunks or scheduling a site visit, please contact Felix Prokop at 860-448-4882 ext. 329 or Ryan McCammon at 860-448-4882 ext 301.

**\*Please note that the District will only provide larvacide dunks for standing water bodies less than 400 square feet. Supplies are limited.**

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Ledge Light Health District – LLHD – serves as the local health department for East Lyme, Groton, Ledyard, New London and Waterford, Connecticut. As a health district, formed under [Connecticut General Statutes Section 19a-241](#), LLHD is a special unit of government, allowing member municipalities to provide comprehensive public health services to residents in a more efficient manner by consolidating the services within one organization.

The Director of Health and staff of LLHD work to promote health and wellness among the 120,000 residents we serve. By enforcing the Connecticut Public Health Code, conducting health education programs, monitoring disease outbreaks and nurturing our environment, LLHD is focused on *promoting healthy communities*. LLHD's mission statement – **to prevent disease, illness and injury; to protect and nurture our environment; and to promote improved health and prosperity for all residents** – describes in more detail our slogan of "promoting healthy communities."

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