

## A Not-So-Welcome Sign Of Summer...



Each year, when the weather warms, that high pitched whine signals the annual emergence of mosquitoes. Sleep is lost, the insect repellent comes out, and we wonder when it will stop.

In addition to the nuisance of adult mosquitoes, they can also pose serious health-related concerns for people and livestock.

There are some simple actions you can take right in your own backyard to help reduce local mosquito populations and make summer a little more comfortable.



## Who We Are

Morrow BioScience Ltd. (MBL) is the longest established mosquito management firm in British Columbia - we have been managing mosquitoes for over 30 years! Using an integrated pest management approach, MBL conducts larval mosquito control only when deemed necessary. Control products and techniques have the least possible impact on the ecosystem. MBL's experienced staff members are happy to provide clients and residents with excellent service. Give us a call, send an email, or engage us in the field if you have any questions.

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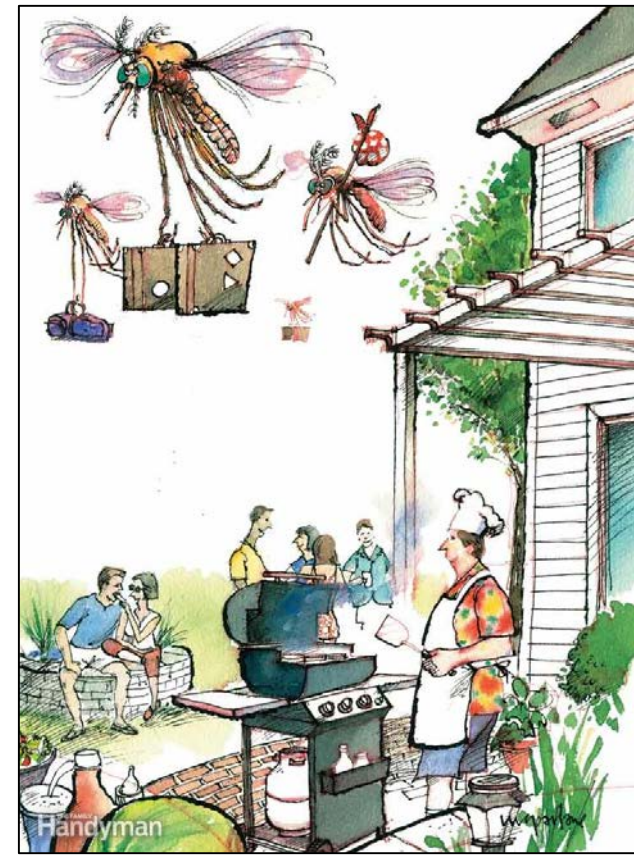


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## MOSQUITO PREVENTION TIPS

*Simple self-protection measures and  
ways to reduce mosquito populations  
around the home*

## Quick facts:



*Mosquito larvae in a dip cup*

- ❖ All mosquitoes need water for the larvae to mature to adults.
- ❖ Some species lay their eggs in seepage areas which then hatch after peak flood, others lay their eggs on standing water
- ❖ While most species fly only a few kilometers from breeding areas, some species found in salt marshes can fly up to 12 km .
- ❖ In warm conditions it can take less than a week for a mosquito to mature from egg to adult
- ❖ Most females can only produce eggs once they have a blood meal, and they can lay several broods before they die.

## What you can do:

- ❖ Change the water in bird baths regularly.
- ❖ Store canoes, wheelbarrows, unused buckets and other containers upside down.
- ❖ Keep ponds clean of overgrowth and establish water flow, if possible.



- ❖ Safely dispose of old tires.
- ❖ Keep rain barrels screened or covered.
- ❖ Remove leaves from gutters to prevent water from pooling.
- ❖ Fix leaky faucets.

## More prevention:

- ❖ Reduce outdoor activity at dawn and twilight, as these are active periods for mosquitoes.
- ❖ Avoid the use of colognes and perfumes.
- ❖ Wear light-colored clothing and cover up.
- ❖ Use registered insect repellents (they have a PCP number), remembering to follow application instructions.
- ❖ If a widespread or severe infestation occurs, call your local mosquito control program for assistance.

