



**NARRAGANSETT COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

MEMORANDUM

September 3, 2010

TO: Units Camping at Cachalot
cc: All Staff

FROM: Dave Anderson, Scout Executive

SUBJ: **EEE Reports**

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has reported that several mosquitoes tested positive for Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in Plymouth County communities including Carver.

Based on the information we have at this point we see no need to cancel any activities at Camp Cachalot, however we would encourage you to take extra care to protect your Scouts, particularly when mosquito biting activity is high.

Biting activity depends on several conditions. It generally is greatest from dusk to dawn. During the day it decreases in sunny areas at lower temperatures and increases in shady areas at higher temperatures. Biting activity also generally increases with high humidity and with low wind.

Leaders should be advised to make sure that participants use mosquito repellent and wear long pants and long sleeve shirts when mosquito biting activity is greatest. Additionally, if camping outdoors mosquito netting should be used.

We will continue to monitor the situation and take further action if appropriate. If you or your volunteers have any questions please feel free to contact me.

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