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SUMMER  
DRIVING

- Remember to slow down in construction zones "Give 'em a Brake".
- Before beginning your road trip be sure to check your tire pressure and fluid levels.
- In 2008, the latest year that data is available, there were 7,428 vehicle crashes in Madison County, 256 of those in Highland.
- Most crashes occurred on clear days, dry pavement & during daylight hours.

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# Public Works

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## Mosquito Season Approaching



The Street and Alley Department wants to remind you that as the weather warms so does the mosquito threat.

Adult mosquito control (fogging or spraying) is the mosquito control most familiar to the public. Spraying, however, only kills mosquitoes that come in contact with the insecticide droplets and the fog soon dissipates. Fogging does not prevent mosquitoes from re-entering the area so the population is reduced for only a few days.

The most effective method of mosquito control is larviciding or the treatment of locations where

mosquito larvae are present. The City also uses this method to aid in control.

The number of mosquitoes can be reduced by removing sources of standing water around your residence. You can reduce your mosquito threat by taking these precautions:

- Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week. Unused pools should be kept dry.
- Change water in birdbaths and drip trays at least once a week.
- Keep grass cut & shrubbery well trimmed.
- Ornamental ponds should have fish that will eat larvae.
- Get rid of old tires or containers in your yard that might hold water.
- Fill in low places in your yard where water stands.
- Keep roof gutters free of leaves and other debris.
- Cover trash containers to keep out rainwater.

## Summer 2010

### Continuing Projects:

The Elevated Tank Restoration project involved inspecting and painting the elevated water tank at 13th & Zschokke. The City will soon be rehabilitating the Tot Lot playground by installing a new play surface and playground equipment.

The Koepfli Lane extension and reconstruction project is underway. This project will reconstruct the existing Koepfli Lane and will extend the road. The new Koepfli

Lane will run from Route 143 to Sportsman Road. Completion is scheduled for early December.

The Iberg Road Realignment project, recently delayed by the weather, will continue with completion expected by fall.

### Upcoming Projects:

The Walnut and Main Street Resurfacing and the Main Street Parking lot projects are currently out for bid. Bid opening is set for June 16th.

### ASK THE EDITOR

Is there an upcoming project or something else happening in the Public Works Department that you would like to know more about? Send your questions to [skesner@highlandil.gov](mailto:skesner@highlandil.gov) and I will be happy to address them in an upcoming issue of Public Works.