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Battling Billions of Saltmarsh Mosquitoes

*~~Learn How Scientists and Highly-Trained Professionals are
Protecting Public Health and Vital Industries~~*

TALLAHASSEE, FL — The [Florida Mosquito Control Association](#) will be hosting a virtual news conference on **Thursday, July 31, at 10:00 am EST** via Zoom to talk about an onslaught of saltmarsh mosquitoes in Florida.

Florida is accustomed to an influx of visitors each summer. But not all of them are welcome.

Billions of saltmarsh mosquitoes have been hatching and swarming the state. These aggressive bloodsuckers, known for painful bites, pose a challenge for Florida's mosquito control experts. Up to 150 of these mosquitoes can attack a person in less than a minute, and they pose a health risk for pets and livestock.

Thankfully, Florida is home to the world's top mosquito control professionals. Join a virtual panel to learn more:

- **Who:**

Moderator - [Dr. Keira Lucas](#), Deputy Executive Director of [Collier Mosquito Control District](#)

[David Addison](#), MS, Retired Biologist, Conservancy of Southwest Florida

[Dr. Eva Buckner](#), Assistant Professor and Medical Entomology Specialist, UF/IFAS Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory

Joseph Faella, [Director of Brevard County Mosquito Control](#)

Howie Grimm Jr., [Mayor of Everglades City](#)

- **When:** Thursday, July 31 10 a.m. Eastern

To join the Zoom Meeting please use the link below:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86869176550?pwd=EuzmPU5acewsehwHBMxebfNCnTQkjL.1>

The [Florida Mosquito Control Association](#) (FMCA) and its members - 67 mosquito control programs including 15 independent districts - are dedicated to protecting public health and comfort. Their focus is not only pest management – it is a critical public service that safeguards people, pets, and livestock from disease and distress.

For more information on Saltmarsh Mosquitoes, [click here](#).

For more information on the Florida Mosquito Control Association, [click here](#).

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