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Re: One Word You Must Remember as to Not Ruin a Planned Afternoon of Fishing

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I'm a chronic fly fisherman and a wetland biologist so I'm exposed to these situations quite often. Word of advice, don't apply 100% DEET to your skin. Use only on your clothes and hat. Yes, this is the stuff that will disintegrate plastics and your fly line, etc. I have grown accustomed to wearing long sleeve quick dry sun protectant shirts. Columbia, UnderArmor, Gander Mountain make some good ones that aren't expensive. While bugs will still bite through clothing, they'd much rather go for exposed areas. Spray these long sleeve shirts and your exposed areas with DEET spray no more than 40% or use the Picardin. Whatever you favor. These shirts are great because they're light and dry fast and some even come with insect repellent built in. And yes, they work. Reapplying spray throughout the day is a must so pack it with you. On another note, I've had great luck with cigars when the the "dog nut gnats" are active. You know the ones that want to crawl in your eyes. Bottom line is don't expose your skin untreated. Period. You ain't in your living room out here so prepare for it. Getting chased off a stream by bugs is a total fishing blue ball that always could be avoided.