## West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## Positive Mosquito Samples Discovered, Threat Heightened by Warm Weather

July 20, 2011 – The District received confirmation on Wednesday that another mosquito sample has tested positive for West Nile virus. These mosquitoes were collected using a gravid trap (used for collecting mosquitoes looking for a place to lay eggs) in Ontario near Mountain Ave and Fifth Street. This is the second positive sample in the District this year.

Dr. Min-Lee Cheng, District Manager said, "Since the Fourth of July weekend we have seen higher temperatures and increasing mosquito populations. When it comes to mosquitoes, where there's heat, there's trouble."

The District urges people to stay aware at all times this summer. Use a CDC recommended repellent when outdoors; it is a vital part of protecting yourself and your family. Repellents with DEET, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, and IR3535 are all effective in repelling mosquitoes.

Please call the district if you know of any places that might breed mosquitoes. The District relies on residents' help in finding mosquito breeding sources. If you need assistance in locating the sources of mosquitoes call the District, we are here to help.

More information can be viewed at <u>www.wvmosquito.org</u> or <u>www.wvmvcd.org</u>. The District phone number is 909-635-0307. The office is located at 1295 East Locust St. Ontario CA, 91761 and is open Monday-Friday 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

For more information or an interview, please contact Dr. Min-Lee Cheng or Brian Reisinger at 909-635-0307.