San Joaquin County Mosquito & Vector Control District

News Alert

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Fight The Bite!

>**Dump & Drain** standing Water

>Dusk & Dawn are when mosquitoes that carry WNV are most active.

>**DEET** is an effective ingredient to look for in insect repellents

SCHEDULED SPRAY AREAS FOR ADULT MOSQUITO CONTROL

(STOCKTON, CA) – In response to increased adult mosquito populations and the detection of West Nile virus in several areas of San Joaquin County, the San Joaquin County Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) is preparing to conduct ground spraying for adult mosquito control.

The District will continue to implement the California Mosquito-Borne Virus Surveillance and Response Plan to protect public health and welfare. Spray locations and times will normally be available 24 hours in advance. People can access spray information and spray schedules by calling the District at (209) 982-4675 or toll-free at 1-800-300-4675 during business hours from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday or by visiting the District's website online at <u>www.sjmosquito.org</u>.

Due to increased adult mosquito populations and/or detection of West Nile virus, the following areas are scheduled for spraying:

<u>Ground spraying</u> for adult mosquito control using MGK Pyrocide 7396 or Evergreen 60-6 is scheduled for the morning of Wednesday, August 25, 2010, between 4:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m. or the morning of Thursday, August 26, 2010 between 4:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m.

- **Portion of Central Manteca** > North to Yosemite Ave., > South to E. Woodward Ave., > East to S. Union Rd., > West to Airport Way
- **Portion of East Manteca >** North to Louise Ave / Lathrop Rd., > South to E. Yosemite Ave., East to Austin Rd., West to N. Main St. / Cottage Ave.

Spraying for adult mosquitoes is done near sunset or sunrise with trucks and airplanes when mosquitoes are most active. The District will be using sprayers that apply a very fine mist of material that kills adult mosquitoes on contact. Control operations are contingent upon favorable weather conditions and if canceled, will typically be rescheduled to the following morning or evening.

2010 update on West Nile virus activity for San Joaquin County: 21 dead birds, 21 mosquito samples, 1 horse, and 0 sentinel chickens have tested West Nile virus positive.

To request District service, call (209) 982-4675, 1-800-300-4675 or visit the District website at <u>www.sjmosquito.org</u>

For more information about mosquito control and WNV:

- California West Nile virus information and to report dead birds and squirrels: Call toll-free at 1-877-968-2473, or California Website: <u>www.westnile.ca.gov</u>
- San Joaquin County Public Health website: <u>http://www.sjcphs.org/emprep/WestNileVirus.htm</u>



