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Mosquito fogging in areas of Foster City, Belmont, Redwood City, Redwood Shores, and San Mateo scheduled for night of September 18, 2014

Burlingame, CALIF. - The San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District (SMCMVCD) detected adult mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus (WNV) collected September 16, 2014 from the 94404 ZIP code area. The District will conduct truck-mounted mosquito fogging around the detection site in an effort to prevent human cases of WNV. Weather permitting, the ground fogging is scheduled for the night of Thursday, September 18 between 9:00 PM and 5:00 AM.

The fogging area, which is primarily residential, is approximately bounded by Regan Dr. to the southwest, Belmont Slough to the east, and Beach Park Blvd. to the north. Fogging will also take place on the Oracle campus and Bayshore Technology Park. These areas include portions of zip codes 94404, 94065, and 94403. A map of the fogging location and Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the district website, www.smcmad.org. Residents with additional questions can call the District at (650) 344-8592 Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Mosquitoes will be collected in the area after the fogging is complete. If post-treatment mosquito samples are carrying West Nile Virus, the district may fog the area again.

West Nile Virus is transmitted through the bite of an infected mosquito. The primary hosts are birds. Humans, horses and other animals can become infected with WNV if bitten by an infected mosquito. It cannot be spread person to person.

Reports of dead birds are an early indication that the virus is circulating in the environment. Residents are encouraged to help by reporting fresh carcasses of birds or tree squirrels to the West Nile virus hotline, online at www.westnile.ca.gov or by phone at 877-WNV-BIRD (877-968-2473).

For assistance with a mosquito problem in San Mateo County, contact the District at (650) 344-8592.

For more information on West Nile Virus and other district services, visit us on the web at: www.smcmad.org.

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