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INTENSE WEST NILE VIRUS ACTIVITY IN YOLO COUNTY PROMPTS AERIAL SPRAYING OVER DAVIS AND WOODLAND

Elk Grove, Ca— The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District announced today that **aerial treatments** for adult mosquitoes infected with West Nile virus are **scheduled for two consecutive nights on Wednesday, August 6 and Thursday, August 7 from approximately 8:00 pm to midnight over the cities of Davis and Woodland** and the surrounding agricultural areas in Yolo County. “We are moving forward with plans for aerial spraying” said Gary Goodman, District Manager. For the past few weeks the District has been monitoring these locations which became areas of concern due to the many mosquito samples and dead birds that tested positive for the disease. “Our surveillance results indicate very high infection rates among mosquitoes and the need to spray in order to protect area residents from the threat of West Nile virus” added Goodman.

Aerial spraying will take place over two areas. The Davis block is approximately 20,000 acres and the boundaries are from County Road 29 on the north, down to Levee Road on the south and from County Road 98 on the west to County Road 105 on the east. The Woodland block is about 12,000 acres from Churchill Downs Ave on the north, to County Road 25A on the south and from County Road 97 on the west to County Road 102 on the east. For exact spraying locations please refer to the attached map or visit www.FIGHTtheBITE.net.

Aerial treatments will be made using Trumpet, an insecticide registered for use in mosquito control by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and California EPA and routinely used throughout the United States to control mosquitoes. While attempts are made to notify the public, the District may postpone or cancel a scheduled application due to unfavorable weather conditions or other reasons. Please refer to the website for the latest information.

Residents can subscribe to receive email notifications for mosquito treatments by zip code. To sign up, visit www.FIGHTtheBITE.net and go to Spray Notifications. Information for current treatments planned is also available on the District website under Spraying Updates.

2014 West Nile virus activity update:

Sacramento County: 225 mosquito samples, 178 dead birds, 4 sentinel chickens, have tested positive for West Nile virus to date.

Yolo County: 132 mosquito samples, 26 dead birds, 1 sentinel chicken have tested positive for West Nile virus to date

