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**Bexar County Continues Vector Control Efforts as West Nile
Positive Mosquito Confirmed in East side neighborhood**

Bexar County Public Works will be increasing its mosquito abatement program after learning that a mosquito has tested positive for the West Nile virus. The mosquito was located in the eastern quadrant of the County in unincorporated area just off Glen Fair Drive in a drainage channel.

Bexar County Public Works employees will be aggressively treating the area with a multitude of mosquito abatement efforts and treatments. Crews will be fogging the area early tomorrow morning when mosquitos are most active. All standing water will be treated with larvicide tablets. All residents are asked to take precautions in and around their homes.

Over the last several months, the Bexar County Public Works staff has implemented various mosquito abatement methods, covering more than 4,200 acres of public ditches, drainage areas, standing water and County parks. Larvicide treatments have been employed to mitigate mosquito eggs since the Spring season, and regular fogging activities commenced in May. The fogging agent utilized is environmentally safe and effectively eliminates adult mosquitoes.

To protect yourself from mosquitos, you should remember to **“Pour It Out”**:
DRAIN standing water to stop mosquitos from multiplying.

- Drain water from garbage cans, house gutters, buckets, pool covers, coolers, toys, flower pots or any other containers where sprinkler or rain water has collected.
- Discard old tires, drums, bottles, cans, pots and pans, broken appliances and other items that aren't being used.
- Empty and clean birdbaths and pet's water bowls at least once or twice a week.
- Protect boats and vehicles from rain with tarps that don't accumulate water.
- Maintain swimming pools in good condition and appropriately chlorinated. Empty plastic swimming pools when not in use.

COVER skin with clothing or repellent.

- Clothing - Wear shoes, socks, and long pants and long-sleeves. This type of protection may be necessary for people who must work in areas where mosquitos are present.

- Repellent - Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing.

For more information on mosquito-borne disease activity including the West Nile, please visit <http://www.cdc.gov/westnile/>

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