



# Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District

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### **ANOTHER WNV POSITIVE MOSQUITO SAMPLE FROM RANCHO MIRAGE**

**INDIO, CA, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012:** The Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District announced today the detection of one (1) mosquito samples positive for West Nile Virus (WNV) in Rancho Mirage. This increases this year's total positive mosquito samples to 110 which is the highest number of samples since WNV arrival in 2003. The District has intensified both its larval and adult mosquito control in areas where there has been recent WNV activity and in the eastern Valley hardest hit by the recent flooding event in the Mecca area.

Starting tonight the District will conduct three consecutive nights of aerial Ultra Low Volume (ULV) applications to control adult mosquitoes in the area south of Mecca. For more information regarding this application event please visit the District's website at [www.cvmvcd.org](http://www.cvmvcd.org).

Residents can reduce their risk of mosquito-borne diseases by following the 3 D's of WNV prevention:

#### **1. Dump/Drain**

Eliminate standing water because that's where mosquitoes breed

#### **2. Dusk/Dawn**

Avoid outdoor activities when mosquitoes most active

#### **3. Defend**

Apply insect repellents with EPA-registered active ingredients such as DEET and Picaridin and wear long-sleeve shirts and pants when outdoors. Utilize properly fitted and well maintained screens on windows and doors around your home.

Please contact the Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District at 760-342-8287 or 1-888-343-9399 for questions regarding ULV applications or to report mosquito problems, request mosquitofish, and report neglected pools or standing water breeding mosquitoes. You can visit us online at [cvmvcd.org](http://cvmvcd.org) to obtain more information and submit service requests.

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