

Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California

January 2026 Report to the Board of Directors

Lab Technologies Committee

1. **Standing Charge:** Partner with DART to establish fees for proficiency panels, positive controls, reagents and other support consumables to enhance standardization between labs.
 - a. Action steps: Fees will remain unchanged for 2026. Proficiency panel participation forms for 2026 were emailed in December. We are continuing correspondence with Eric Blasser, our new point of contact at CDPH.
 - b. Resources needed: None
 - c. Potential Challenges: None
 - d. Timeline: Ongoing
 - e. Status: Ongoing
2. **Standing Charge:** Negotiate with vendors on pricing for consumables used in vector control laboratories.
 - a. Action steps: Schedule a meeting with Lucy to discuss pricing for 2026.
 - b. Resources needed: None
 - c. Potential Challenges: None
 - d. Timeline: Ongoing
 - e. Status: Ongoing
3. **2025 Charge continued: Develop PacVec training videos on placing mosquito traps and identification.**
 - a. Action steps: **BG trap Video**
 - i. **ADA requirements research .**
 1. Last meeting (November the 18th) there was a concern that moving forward without ADA requirements might require significant re-editing later.
 2. Jessica reached out to
 - a. Accessibility Works - a compliance- check company in Sacramento
 - b. Accessibility Innovations - a compliance check company in Sacramento
 - c. The IT committee
 - d. A recommended strategy for creating PacVec Videos has been developed - needs review and discussion.
 - e. A re-shoot is needed for correct demonstration of trap handling steps
 - ii. **Olivia** is providing Kim with specific script instructions for the re-shoot.

- iii. Chris is getting advice from Celia.
 - iv. **Gravid trap video**
 - v. Gravid trap script was sent to the subcommittee for approval and was approved Tuesday, November 18th.
 - vi. Goal film in Feb or March
 - vii. **Adult Sampling Methods Videos** No updates at this time.
 - b. Resources needed: Potential help from the IT committee, potential funds for validating ADA compliance through an expert.
 - c. Potential Challenges: Funding
 - d. Timeline: BG trap video reshoot in the Spring, Gravid trap video due to film in February or March of 2026.
 - e. Status: Ongoing
4. **2025 Charge continued:** Develop a Repository for surveillance and testing protocols.
- a. Action steps:
 - i. There are a few districts that need to be contacted to verify some details in the tick testing protocols but otherwise this is close to completion.
 - b. Resources needed: None
 - c. Potential Challenges: None
 - d. Timeline: Ongoing
 - e. Status: Ongoing
5. **2025 Charge continued:** Develop a CDZ testing Protocol and Proficiency Panel
- a. Action steps: Panel offering frequency reduced to every two years due to decreased participation and lower pool submission.
 - b. Resources needed:
 - c. Potential Challenges: Reduced participation
 - d. Timeline: The next panel would be in 2027
 - e. Status: Ongoing
6. **2026 Charge:** Discuss and organize another 3D printing symposium and potential workshop for the year 2027 or 2028 (suggested date of 2029 is too long of a wait. I think. There should be enough advancements for an earlier symposium).
- a. Action steps: Connect with potential collaborators in 2026
 - b. Resources needed:
 - c. Potential Challenges:
 - d. Timeline: 2028/2029
 - e. Status: Ongoing

Other standing charges:

Standing Charge: Review and update the MVCAC publication “Identification of the Mosquitoes of California” to ensure inclusion of all species of mosquito that are routinely detected in California. - No update

Standing Charge: Discuss and establish a strategy for preserving arbovirus samples for research needs. - No update.

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