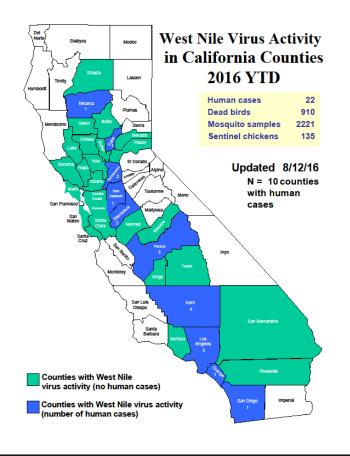


San Mateo County Health System

West Nile Virus Report



| West Nile Virus Activity | | | |
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| California (as of 8/15/16) | SMC ¹ | CA1 | |
| Human Cases | 0 | 22 | |
| Human Deaths | 0 | 1 | |
| Dead Birds | 10 | 910 | |
| Mosquito Pools | 4 | 2221 | |
| Sentinel Chickens | 0 | 135 | |
| Nationwide (as of 8/16/16) | Activity | | |
| Human Cases | 213 | | |
| Human Deaths | 5 | | |
| Human Activity* | 26 states | | |
| Non-Human Activity** | 34 states | | |

*includes cases with West Nile neuroinvasive disease, West Nile fever; excludes asymptomatic infections

**includes WNV veterinary disease cases and WNV infections in mosquitoes, birds, sentinel animals

| San Mateo County Mosquito & Vector Control District Response | | | |
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| Fogging Location (as of 8/15/16) | Date | | |
| Redwood City and Atherton | 7/29 PM— | | |
| | 7/30 AM | | |
| Atherton and Unincorporated San | 8/4 PM— | | |
| Mateo County | 8/5 AM | | |
| San Mateo and Foster City | 8/14 PM— | | |
| | 8/15 AM | | |

Note: Questions regarding mosquito fogging activities should be directed to the San Mateo County Mosquito & Vector Control District at (650) 344-8592.

St. Louis Encephalitis

St. Louis Encephalitis Virus (SLEV) is a *Flavivirus* that is closely related to West Nile Virus (WNV). Similar to WNV, most people infected with SLEV have no symptoms or mild flu-like symptoms, though some individuals, such as those with a weakened immune system, may have more severe symptoms. Both SLEV and WNV can be spread to humans by the bite of infected *Culex sp.* mosquitoes. While <u>mosquitoes in the Coachella Valley</u> tested positive for SLEV in 2015 and 2016, SLEV has <u>not</u> been detected in San Mateo County. Prior to 2015, SLEV was last detected in California in 2003. More information on SLEV can be found <u>here</u>. There have been no human cases of SLEV or WNV in San Mateo County this season. To prevent mosquito-borne diseases, eliminate standing water around your home and take steps to <u>protect yourself from mosquito bites</u>.

DEAD BIRD REPORTING:

• All dead bird reports and pick up should be directed to the California Department of Public Health by: • Calling 1-877-WNV-BIRD (877-968-2473), Sunday through Friday, 8 AM—4:30 PM

OR

Online reporting at: <u>www.westnile.ca.gov/report_wnv.php</u>

- Birds or squirrels which are not picked up within 24 hours should be disposed of in the following manner:
 - Use gloves, a plastic bag, or shovel to pick up the animal
 - Place into an outside trash can
 - Wash your hands
- There is no evidence that the WNV virus can be acquired by handling dead birds or squirrels

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- CDC: <u>www.cdc.gov/westnile</u>
- CDPH WNV Website: <u>www.westnile.ca.gov</u>
- San Mateo County Health System: <u>www.smchealth.org/WNV</u>
- San Mateo County Mosquito and Vector Control District: www.smcmvcd.org or (650) 344-8592
- All inquiries from the press or politicians should be directed to the Public Information Officer at (650) 867-1661

Data Sources:

- (1) California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Vector-Borne Disease Section as of August 15, 2016 (www.westnile.ca.gov)
- (2) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as of August 16, 2016 (www.cdc.gov/westnile)