Local & Entertainment

West Nile Virus found in Haines mosquitoes

West Nile virus has been detected in a pool of mosquitoes collected on July 10, 2017.

The pool was collected from a trap about 4 miles west of Haines, Oregon.

This is the first pool of mosquitoes to test positive for West Nile Virus in the district this year.

Oregon State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Corvallis confirmed the positive mosquito pool.

The Baker Valley Vector Control District routinely sets 36 adult mosquito traps baited with CO2 weekly throughout Baker, Bowen and Keating Val-

The mosquitoes caught are then identified to species, counted and pooled into groups of 10-50 and sent onto the OSU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Corvallis for testing.

West Nile virus was previously detected during the 2016 mosquito season.

To date there have been no human, avian or equine cases reported in the Baker Valley Vector Control District area this year.

Dead bird surveillance has been ongoing in the

People that notice sick or dead birds such as crows, magpies, jays and robins should contact Baker Valley Vector Control District so that they can be picked up for testing.

Most people who become infected with West Nile virus do not become sick. Some may develop mild flu-like symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, and occasionally swollen lymph glands or rash.

In some cases, West Nile may cause encephalitis, or inflammation of the brain.

What Should I Do if I Think I Have WNV?

Milder WNv illness improves on its own, and people do not necessarily need to seek medical attention for this infection though they may choose to do so.

If you develop symptoms of severe WNv illness, such as unusually severe headaches or confusion, seek medical attention immediately.

Severe WNv illness usually requires hospitaliza-

Pregnant women and nursing mothers are encouraged to talk to their doctor if they develop symptoms that could be WNv.

What Is the Risk of Getting Sick From WNV?

People over 50, those with high blood pressure or are immunosuppressed are at higher risk to get severe illness.

People over the age of 50, those with high blood pressure or are immunosuppressed are more likely to develop serious symptoms of WNv if they do get sick and should take special care to avoid mosquito bites.

Being outside means you're at risk.

The more time you're outdoors, the more time you could be bitten by an infected mosquito.

Pay attention to avoiding mosquito bites if you spend a lot of time outside, either working or playing.

Pregnancy and nursing do not increase risk of becoming infected with

The risk that WNv may present to a fetus or an infant infected through breast milk is still being evaluated.

Talk with your care provider if you have concerns

The staff here at the Baker Valley Vector Control District will increase surveillance and control measures within the district in response to the positive mosquito pools.

The risk of West Nile is low but we do encourage

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people to take appropriate precautions to protect themselves from mosquito

Here are some suggestions on how to reduce the risk of exposure to West Nile Virus:

Eliminate all sources of standing water that can be breeding ground for biting mosquitoes such as flooded fields, watering troughs, birdbaths, wading pools, clogged gutters and old tires.

If it holds water for seven days it can produce mosquitoes.

Avoid outdoor activities at dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most ac-

Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants when in mosquito infested areas. Use mosquito repellents making sure to follow the directions on the container.

DEET.

Products containing DEET include, but are not limited to, Off!, Cutter. Sawyer, and Ultrathon. Picaridin.

Products containing picaridin include, but are not limited to, Cutter Advanced, Skin So Soft Bug Guard Plus, and Autan (outside the US).

Oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE) or PMD.

Products containing OLE and PMD include, but are not limited to, Repel and Off!

IR3535.

Products containing IR3535 include, but are not limited to, Skin So Soft **Bug Guard Plus Expedition** and SkinSmart.

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The product BioUD contains 2-undecanone

Make sure all screen doors and windows are in good repair and fit tightly. For more information please contact:

Baker County Health Department at 541-523-

Bebe's word search

Algebra Word Search



The Littles' crossword puzzle

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Across

1- You're making mistake!:

5- Just manages, with

"out"; 9- Little rascals;

13- Not punctual:

14- Cognizant;

15- Venus de ____;

16- London greeting;

17- Make less tense:

18- School orgs.;

19- Underground room;

21- Cornerstone abbr.; 22- ___ girl!;

23- Washington bills;

25- Electric fish;

27- Implies;

31- Spuds;

35- Inwardly;

36- Makes lace;

38- Clear of vermin;

39- Juan's uncle;

40- Article of bedding;

42- Road with a no.; 43- Make amends;

46- Capital city of Peru;

47- Composition in verse;

48- Cure;

50- Misers:

52- Fortuneteller's start;

54- Flabbergast;

55- Fluff egg whites;

58- Hit sign; 60- Fancy home;

64- Need a scratch;

65- Island near Sicily; 67- Munich mister;

68- Will-___-wisp;

69- First-stringers; 70- "___ Tu": 1974 hit;

71- Litigant;

72- Centrepiece of the human face;

73- "Titanic" heroine;

Down

1- Actor Baldwin;

2- Bundle:

3- ___ never work!;

4- Study of rocks; 5- Female sheep;

6- Cabbagelike plant;

7- Wipe off:

8- Group of six;

9- Cover with a viscous

substance;

10- Baseball glove;

11- Land map; 12- Slugger Sammy;

14- Takes into custody; 20- "Wheel of Fortune"

buy;

24- Lesley of "60 Minutes";

26- Boy;

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27- Lute of India; 28- Band together; 29- Dimness:

30- Beer mug;

32- Diamond flaw?;

33- Like most movies;

34- Stalks;

37- Big rigs: 41- Two wrestlers on the

same side;

44- Nor's partner;

45- Begley and Bradley; 47- Cougar;

49- Toady; 51- Astronaut Grissom;

53- Muse of love poetry;

55- Life stories; 56- Words to Brutus;

57- Dull pain, often in

the head or back;

59- Corrida cheers;

61- Dynamic beginning;

62- Very, in Versailles;

63- Scottish Gaelic;

66- ____ kwon do;

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