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From the Canyon County Mosquito Abatement District:

Over the weekend mosquitoes trapped on Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge tested Positive for West Nile Virus. The trap was located in south Nampa near the Shaffer's Access to the East Side Recreation Area of Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge.

The string of hot weather that we have been experiencing has resulted in an increase in the population of the species of mosquito that is one of the primary vectors of West Nile Virus.

The return of West Nile Virus to Canyon County is a reminder to avoid mosquito bites by covering exposed skin, wear mosquito repellent containing DEET and avoid outside activity between the hours of sunset and sunrise. It is also important to remember not to create standing water by over irrigation.

Canyon County Mosquito Abatement District will continue mosquito abatement activity with aerial applications of the mosquito larvae control compounds containing Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis (Bti) on designated areas of Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge. Neighborhoods south of Greenhurst Road in Nampa to South Powerline Road and along Lakeshore Drive to Dearborne Road will begin tonight, July 16, 2012 and continue through Wednesday, July 18.

Canyon County has not had mosquitoes testing positive since 2009.

For more information please contact the Canyon County Mosquito Abatement District at (208) 461-9633.

More information on West Nile Virus can be obtained by visiting the Idaho Dept. of Health and Welfare West Nile virus web page at: [www.westnile.idaho.gov](http://www.westnile.idaho.gov).

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