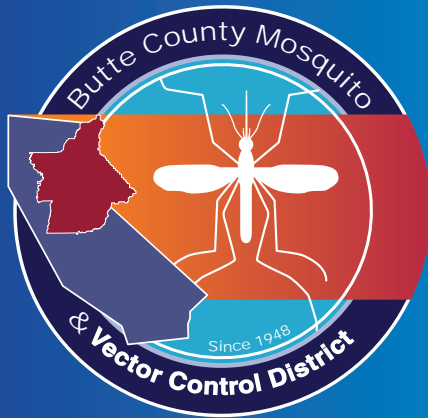


Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District



2009



*Annual
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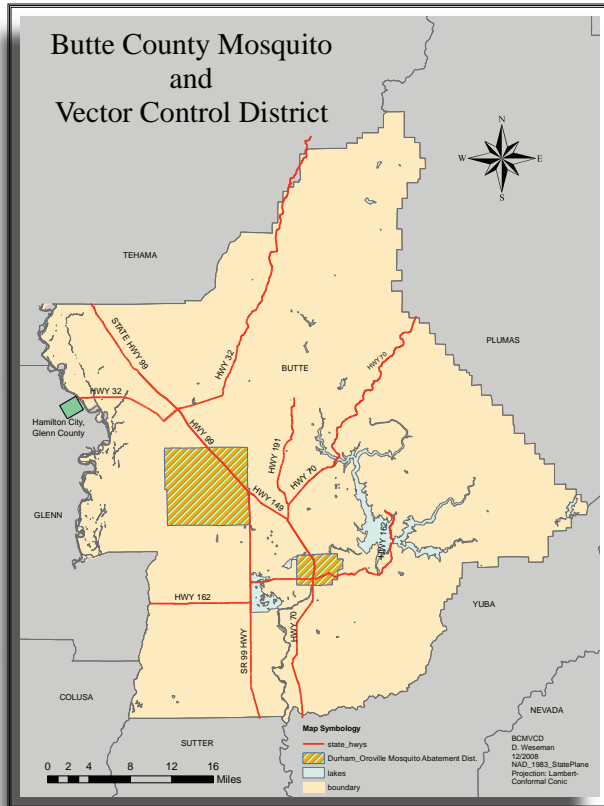
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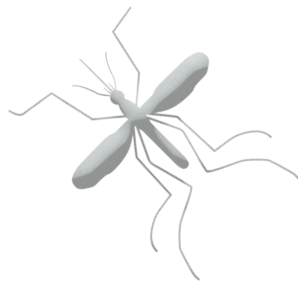
History

The Butte County Mosquito Abatement District was formed in June of 1948. The District covers 1600 square miles, and includes all of Butte County, except the small areas served by the Durham and Oroville Mosquito Abatement Districts, which were formed earlier. The District also includes the Hamilton City area of Glenn County. In April of 1994, "Vector Control" was added to the District name to reflect the additional disease surveillance and information now provided.



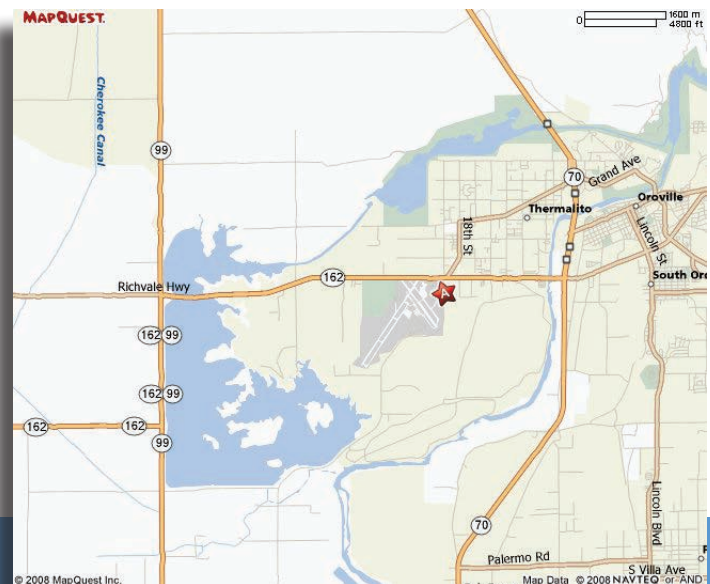
Mission

The mission of BCMVCD is to primarily suppress mosquito-transmitted disease and to also reduce the annoyance levels of mosquitoes and diseases associated with ticks, fleas and other vectors through environmentally compatible control practices and public education.



Office Location

5117 Larkin Road
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Foreword

It is with great pleasure that I submit the 2009 Annual Report for the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District. The District had a very successful year serving the residents of Butte County and Hamilton City by utilizing an integrated pest management approach that included public education and outreach, vector surveillance, reduction of breeding grounds by physical and cultural control by altering the environment and/or management practices, and by using sound biological and chemical control methods. This report outlines the work conducted by the District to accomplish its primary goal of protecting public health.

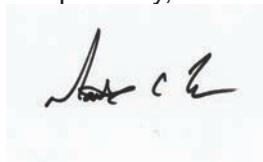
The prevention of vector-borne disease outbreaks remains the District's primary goal and it's most important responsibility to the public. West Nile virus (WNV) is now considered to be endemic in the state of California and remains our largest public health concern. The state observed a decrease from 445 WNV human infections to 105 in 2009. Butte County's human infection rate has decreased from 34 in 2006, 16 in 2007, 5 in 2008 to 2 in 2009.

With the emergence of a more urban-based mosquito-transmitted virus such as, WNV, the District was faced with a wide variety of new operational challenges such as urban mosquito-breeding sources. With the decline of the housing market continuing we again saw an increase in the number of vacant homes with abandoned swimming pools, spas, and other water features that were breeding mosquitoes. The District continues to aggressively control catch basins, storm drains, and retention / detention ponds and works in partnership with other local agencies and governments to maintain improper functioning utilities that breed mosquitoes. Regardless of drought conditions, the over watering of landscaped yards and environments continues to add to the mosquito breeding problems in urban mosquito sources and extends the length of our mosquito season. In addition to urban mosquito-breeding problems, the District continues surveillance and control in agricultural, rural, and wetland areas that breed mosquitoes.

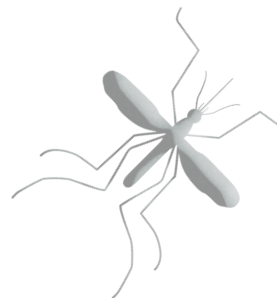
"The Mission of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District is primarily to suppress mosquito-transmitted disease and to also reduce the annoyance levels of mosquitoes and diseases associated with ticks, fleas, and other vectors through environmentally compatible control practices and public education." To achieve this goal the District provides continual surveillance of mosquitoes and other vectors to ascertain the threat of disease transmission and annoyance levels and then uses integrated pest management methods to keep mosquitoes and other vectors below those levels. The District continues to work in cooperation with property owners, residents, social groups, and other governmental agencies to minimize mosquito breeding and to reduce the threat of mosquito-transmitted diseases.

The Board of Trustees and employees continue to plan for the future and search out better ways to improve our programs to be prepared for future disease outbreaks that would be a threat to the health of Butte County residents. We look forward to providing our services to you in the future and if you have any questions or need more information please visit our website at www.BCMVCD.com or call us at 530-533-6038 or 530-342-7350.

Respectfully,



Matthew C. Ball
District Manager



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(MVCS: Mosquito and Vector Control Specialist)



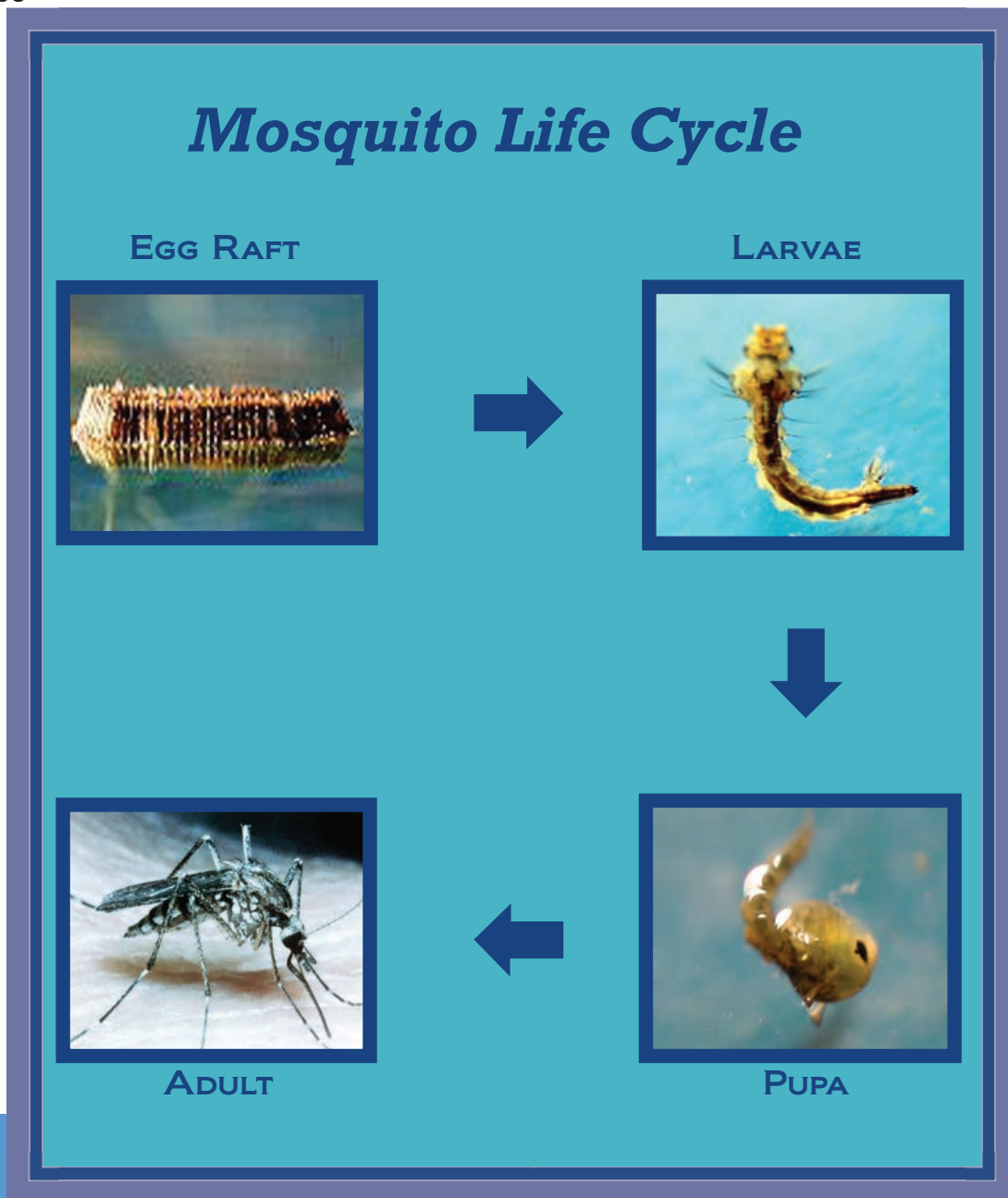
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Left to right: Doug Weseman, Public Information Officer; Jodi Sneeringer, Receptionist; Eric Gohre, Entomologist; Matt Ball, District Manager; Dan Moench, Assistant Manager; Darlene Starkey, Office Manager



Mosquito Biology and Development

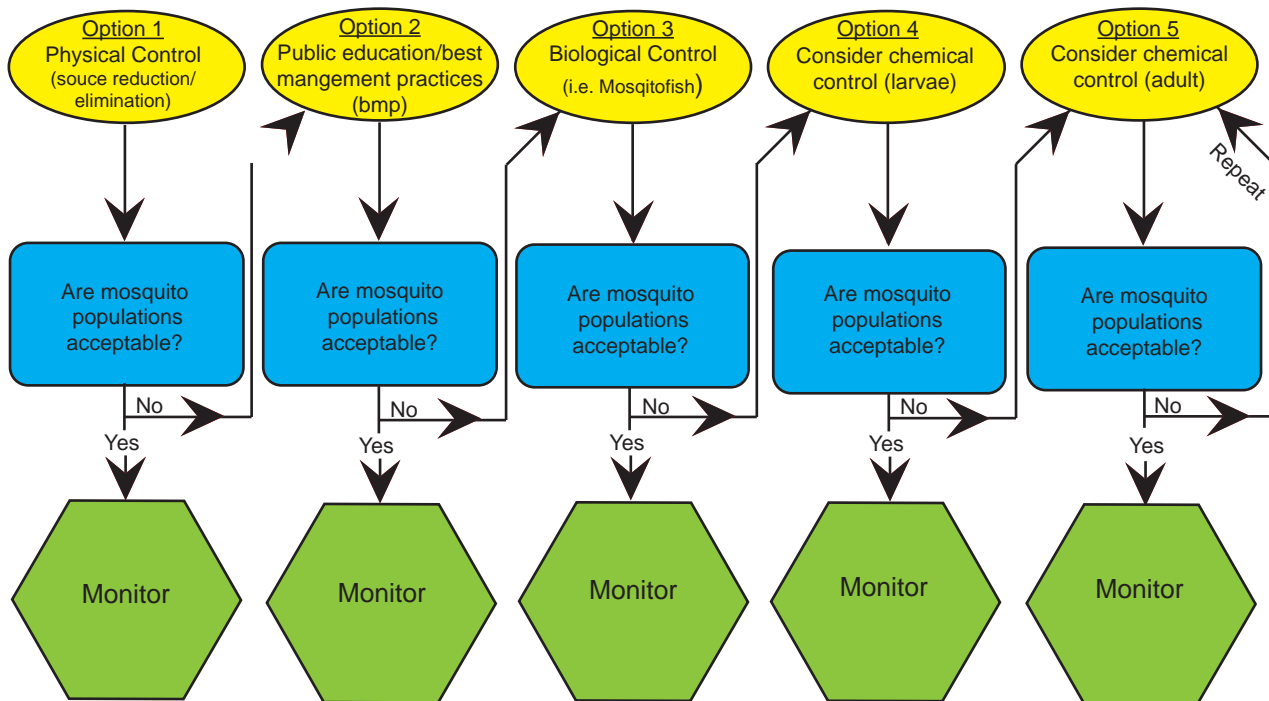
There are approximately 3,500 species of mosquitoes distributed worldwide. In California there are 53 species of mosquitoes and 25 of these are commonly found in Butte County. Mosquitoes, like other animals, must have water, food and some protection from the elements to survive. Mosquitoes undergo complete metamorphosis with four different life stages, egg, larva, pupa and adult. Mosquito eggs and pupa are unable to feed. Larvae and adults however must feed to survive. Adult female mosquitoes need a blood meal to produce eggs, while adult male mosquitoes feed on plant nectar and juices. The time it takes for a mosquito to develop from an egg to an adult varies with different species and environments. Generally, it takes 3-5 days under optimal conditions for a mosquito to complete its life cycle. The adult then lives between three weeks and one year. Some egg species have been known to survive for over fifty years. Female mosquitoes can have up to three or four broods of eggs in their lifetime.



Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common sense practices. The District's IPM program uses current, comprehensive information on the life cycles of pests and their interaction with the environment. This information, in combination with available pest control methods, is used to manage pest nuisance and public health threats by the most economical means and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment. The District's IPM includes public education, physical control (source reduction and/or elimination), biological control, chemical control, and monitoring.

Each time one of the District's state certified mosquito and vector control specialists locates a mosquito breeding source the site is accessed and the flow chart below is followed. If the mosquito breeding source can be eliminated then the flow chart stops and the source is monitored.



Neglected swimming pool surveillance



Seigning fish

Physical Control / Source Reduction and/or Elimination

The best method of mosquito control is source elimination (the complete removal of standing water). All mosquitoes need water to breed, unfortunately water is vital to keep lawns green, to grow crops, to sustain life, and to provide habitat for other aquatic insects and animals. District Mosquito and Vector Control Specialists actively work with property owners, land managers, and municipalities to reduce the amount of water needed for irrigation, to observe or consider best management practices when irrigation is needed, to actively participate in the design of new developments, and the overall reduction of standing water on a property.



Mosquito and vector control specialist pouring standing water out of a flower vase that was breeding mosquitoes

Public Education and Outreach / Best Management Practices (BMPs)

The District's mission is to protect residents from mosquitoes and other vectors that transmit disease. Public education and information is an important part in the success of combating diseases such as West Nile virus and Lyme disease. The District's education program consists of public appearances at local city and county fairs, participation in the state Mosquito and Vector Awareness week, and presentations to schools and local civic groups. In addition to the above, the public education and outreach strives to find new and more effective ways of better educating the public by arming residents with the knowledge to prevent mosquito bites and mosquito-breeding through informational pamphlets, website information, best management practice manuals, repellent suggestions, one on one interaction, and homeowner safeguards.

In 2009, the District created and the Board of Trustees adopted a working draft Best Management Practice to Reduce Mosquitoes (BMP) manual. The manual will provide property owners with tools and techniques to minimize mosquito populations through the proper use of land management practices while reducing the use of pesticides. The BMP's contained in the manual are assembled from a number of sources including scientific literature, state and inter-agency documents, and from experienced vector control professionals. The BMP manual will include general guidance to all properties that can, have, and will breed mosquitoes. The District plans on meeting and receiving feedback with several stakeholders and hopes to adopt a final version in early 2010.

Public Education

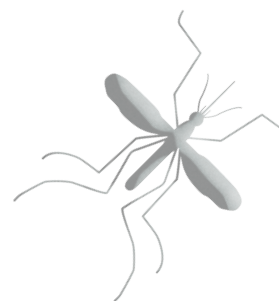
In 2009 the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District's (District) Public Education Department had its most successful public outreach campaign ever. While maintaining all of the District's outreach programs of the past, including fair booths, service groups presentations, and classroom presentations, the District added some new public outreach activities and programs. The District teamed up with Stott Advertising for a county wide billboard advertising campaign. The billboards utilized the District's 2009 public outreach theme "Don't Be a Swatter, Drain Your Water". The billboards were placed in Chico, Gridley, Oroville, and Paradise and rotated throughout these cities during mosquito season. The District also partnered with Enloe Hospital on a newspaper advertising campaign aimed at West Nile virus prevention and mosquito-breeding reduction. The advertisements were placed in the Chico Enterprise Record and the Chico News and Review. The joint venture allows both partners to get twice as much advertising for their dollar and it promotes a unified public health message. The District also conducted a dog and cat heartworm prevention campaign. Thirteen different veterinarian offices throughout the county were randomly chosen to receive heartworm prevention brochures, brochure holders and a wooden mosquito model. The District observed the American Mosquito Control Association's (AMCA) "Mosquito Control Awareness Week" by holding an open house at the District Headquarters. Visitors were given a tour of the facilities as well as free brochures, a soft drink, and a fly swatter.

Public Education Highlights

- Butte County Fair, Gridley (Booth)
- Silver Dollar Fair, Chico (Booth)
- Gold Nugget Days, Paradise (Booth)
- Feather Fiesta Days, Oroville (Booth)
- Berry Creek Berry Festival (Booth)
- Salmon Festival, Oroville (Booth)
- Senior Fair, Chico Area Recreation and Parks (Booth)
- California Conservation Corps (Presentation)
- Sons In Retirement, Paradise (Presentation)
- Kiwanis International, Gridley (Presentation)
- Lions Club, Chico (Presentation)
- Masonic Lodge, Oroville (Presentation)
- Lake Oroville Visitors Center (Presentation)
- K-6 Classroom Presentations Throughout the County



2009 Silver Dollar Fair





Billboard on highway 99 in Gridley



Public Information Officer Doug Weseman gives students a lesson on bees, mosquitoes, and ticks



The Chevrolet Club enjoying their tour of the District facilities.



Gold Nugget Days in Paradise



Students viewing mosquitofish eating larvae



Heartworm prevention campaign

Email Notification System

In 2009 the District enhanced and greatly improved the mosquito fogging notification system. This was done to meet public concerns and expectations, to enhance media coverage, and to help inform other agencies who need to know when and where the District is mosquito fogging. The Chico Enterprise Record uses these fogging notifications in their newspaper to inform their readers of the fogging operations. To meet these needs the District used Constant Contact software, modeled after the award winning Contra Costa Mosquito and Vector Control District's email notification system, to compose and send out the fogging notifications via email. These email notifications are sent out, in most cases, 30 plus hours before a fogging operation takes place. The notifications include maps of the areas to be fogged, links to the labels and material safety data sheet of the public health pesticides used, the dates and times of the fogging operations, and a link to the District website. The public can sign up for email notifications on the District website, www.BCMVCD.com. The District website also has the fogging notifications as well as links to the public health pesticides. The District also makes phone calls to notify residents and agencies that do not use email or have access to a computer.

Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District

Fogging Notification

Mosquito Fogging will take place on 09/17/2009 in the Gridley, East Gridley, and Hamilton City. Please see attached map for detailed information. If you are unable to open or view the map because of browser, memory space, or software problems please see the same maps at our website at <http://www.bcmvcd.com/advisory.php>. The fogging will take place from approximately 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Fogging operations may be canceled due to unfavorable weather conditions.

The product used in these areas will be Anvil 10 + 10 ULV

Links To:

Anvil 10 + 10 ULV

[Label](#)

[MSDS](#)

Additional information can be obtained by viewing the manufacturers websites at:

[Clarke Mosquito Control](#)

[Adapco](#)

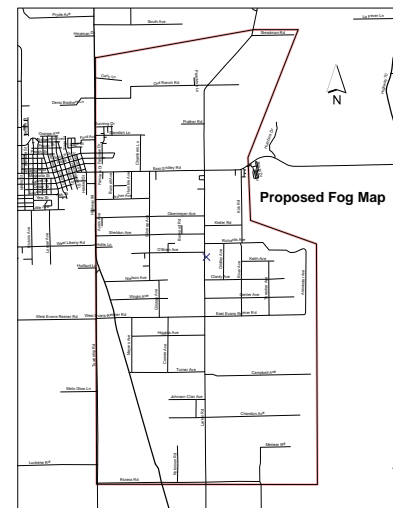
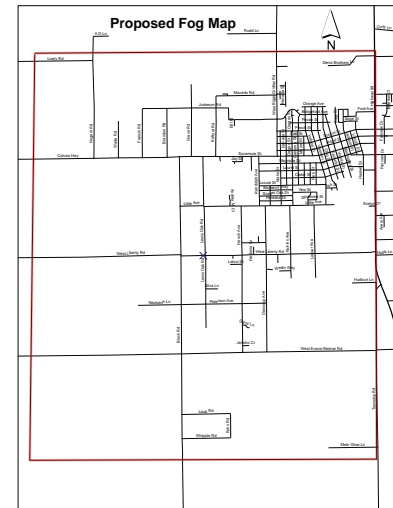
[McLaughlin Gormley King Company](#)

[Crop Data Management Systems](#)

For more information please call the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District at (530) 533-6038 (from Oroville, Richvale, Biggs, Gridley, Berry Creek) or (530) 342-7350 (from Chico, Paradise, Cohasset, Forest Ranch) or visit www.bcmvcd.com

Thank you,

Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District



Example of Constant Contact email notification

Sample Fogging Maps

Vector and Vector-Borne Disease Surveillance

The definition of a vector is any animal capable of producing discomfort or injury, including, but not limited to, mosquitoes, flies, other insects, ticks, mites, and rats but not including domestic animals according to the California State Health and Safety Code, Section 2002(K). Surveillance of vectors is a vital component of the District's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program and a considerable amount of time and effort is devoted to conducting vector surveillance. The District's surveillance program consists of a scientific approach for locating vector populations usually focusing on mosquito-breeding sources, monitoring mosquito populations, and mosquito-borne disease. Data collected from the surveillance program is analyzed to determine maximum and minimum risk periods of public exposure to mosquito-borne disease, evaluates control efforts, and seasonal changes in relative abundance of mosquito species. Surveillance data is collaborated in the District's database which will provides historical information on mosquito dynamics and mosquito-borne disease within the District.

The District utilizes an extensive surveillance program for both adult and immature (larval) mosquitoes. Throughout Butte County and the Hamilton City area of Glenn County, the District uses 26 New Jersey light traps, 20 gravid traps, over 40 CO2 traps, and 7 sentinel chicken flocks to monitor adult mosquito populations and virus activity. District Mosquito and Vector Control Specialists monitor larval mosquito populations throughout the entire District on a daily basis utilizing a standard one-pint dipper. District Mosquito and Vector Control Specialists spend the majority of their daily routine inspecting standing water such as rice, wetlands, storm drains, ponds, ditches, swimming pools, bird baths, fountains and other man made containers for larvae.

The District utilizes an entomology department (Lab) that is staffed with an entomologist and a lab technician. The District's entomology department is responsible for the identification of the trapped mosquito collections and reporting the population numbers to the California Department of Public Health. The lab conducts virus testing on live mosquitoes, dead wild birds, and sentinel chicken flocks. These tests are the Districts eyes to monitor and detect mosquito-borne viruses in and around the county. The lab also conducts scientific pesticide trials to monitor the chemicals effectiveness on targeted mosquitoes and to assess the possible effects of non-targets and trials on new chemical methodology and/or new chemicals. The lab is also at your service to identify ticks, arachnids, and other insects/arthropods of public health significance.



Entomologist Eric Gohre and helper Ryan Rothwander testing new rotator trap

Did You Know?

An abandoned swimming pool can produce millions of mosquitoes.

Virus Surveillance

2009 Virus Surveillance Report

The District monitors for Western equine encephalitis (WEE), St. Louis encephalitis (SLE), California encephalitis (CE), and West Nile virus (WNV) activity by collecting blood samples from sentinel chicken flocks strategically placed throughout the county, collecting live mosquitoes trapped throughout the District, and collecting dead wild birds District wide.

Sentinel Chicken Flocks

Annually the District maintains seven sentinel chicken flocks of eleven birds each. The flocks are located in Palermo, Honcut, Gridley, Biggs, South Chico, West Chico, and Hamilton City. Bi-weekly blood samples are taken from the sentinel chickens by the entomology staff and sent to U.C. Davis for testing. The blood sample is tested for SLE, WEE, CE and WNV. In 2009, 36 sentinel chickens have tested positive for WNV from six flocks. Only one flock (Hamilton City) reported no positives for the 2009 season.



Mosquito Pools

Each week the District's entomology staff strategically place traps known as encephalitis virus surveillance (EVS) or carbon dioxide traps (CO₂) around the District. Traps are posted overnight and retrieved the next morning and the collections are returned to the lab for identification. The entomology staff will identify and sort the trapped mosquitoes and pool the collections for virus testing. A pool consists of 1 to 50 adult female mosquitoes of the same specie. Pooled mosquitoes are transferred to numbered vials and sent to the Center for Vector-Borne Disease Research (CVBDR) at the University of California, Davis. At the CVBDR lab the pools are tested for WEE, SLE, CE, and WNV. In 2009 the District sent 73 mosquito pool samples with 5 returning positive for WNV.



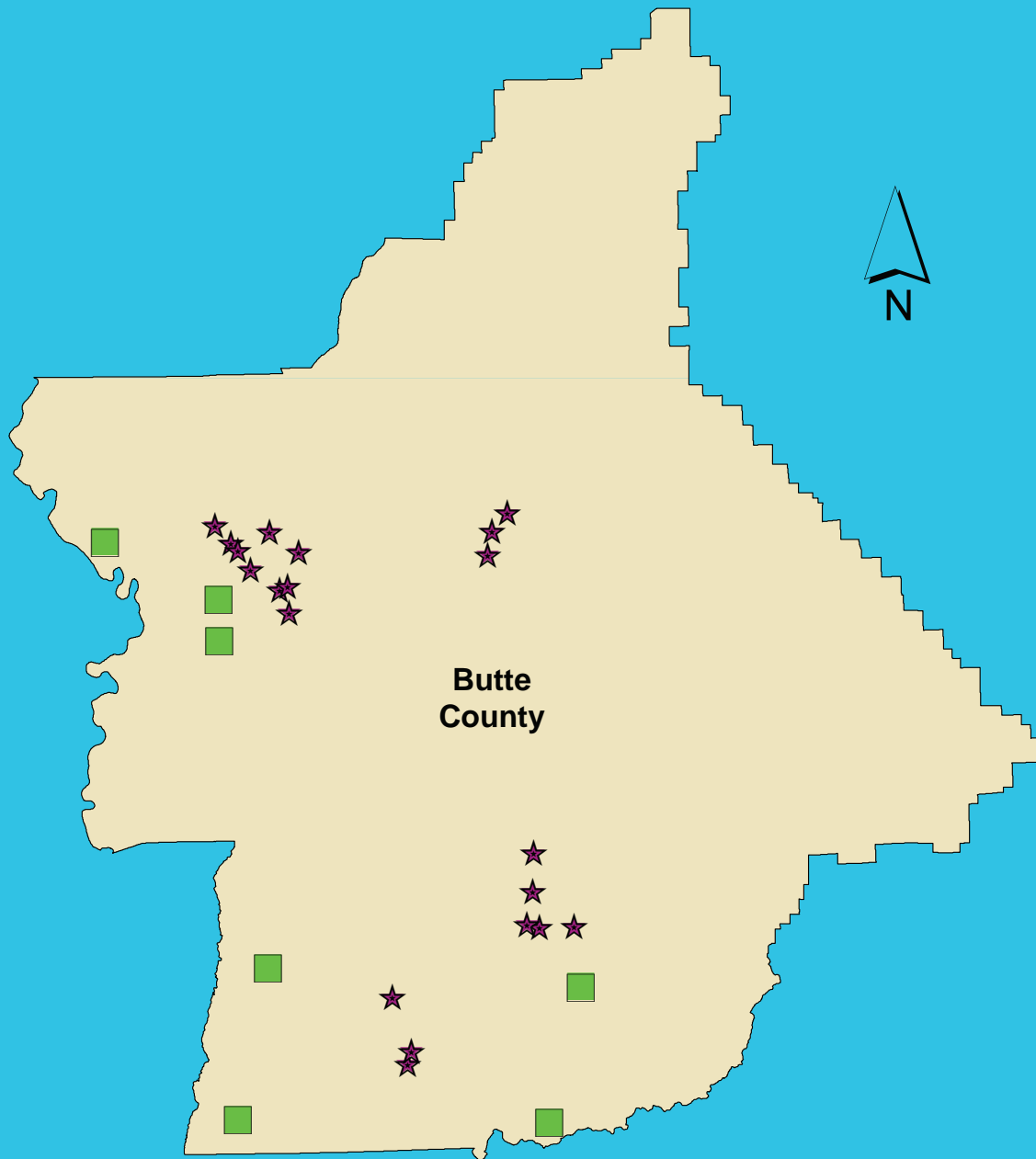
Dead Bird Surveillance and Testing

For more than five years the District has participated in the California Department of Public Health's (CDPH) WNV dead bird testing program. County residents participate in the program by calling CDPH's dead bird hotline (1-877-WNV-BIRD) each time they find a dead bird in the county or by submitting an online form at one of these two websites, (www.westnile.ca.gov) or (www.bcmvcd.com). After a dead bird has been reported, CDPH notifies the District and District staff retrieves the bird and submits it for WNV testing.



Butte County West Nile Virus Statistics

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Humans</i> | <i>Horses</i> | <i>Dead Birds</i> | <i>Mosquito Pools</i> | <i>Sentinel Chickens</i> | <i>Squirrels</i> |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 2004 | 7 | 18 | 118 | 1 | 50 | 0 |
| 2005 | 25 | 7 | 79 | 4 | 15 | 0 |
| 2006 | 34 | 0 | 40 | 1 | 49 | 1 |
| 2007 | 16 | 0 | 27 | 5 | 32 | 0 |
| 2008 | 5 | 0 | 38 | 5 | 31 | 0 |
| 2009 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 5 | 36 | 0 |
| Total | 89 | 25 | 315 | 21 | 213 | 1 |

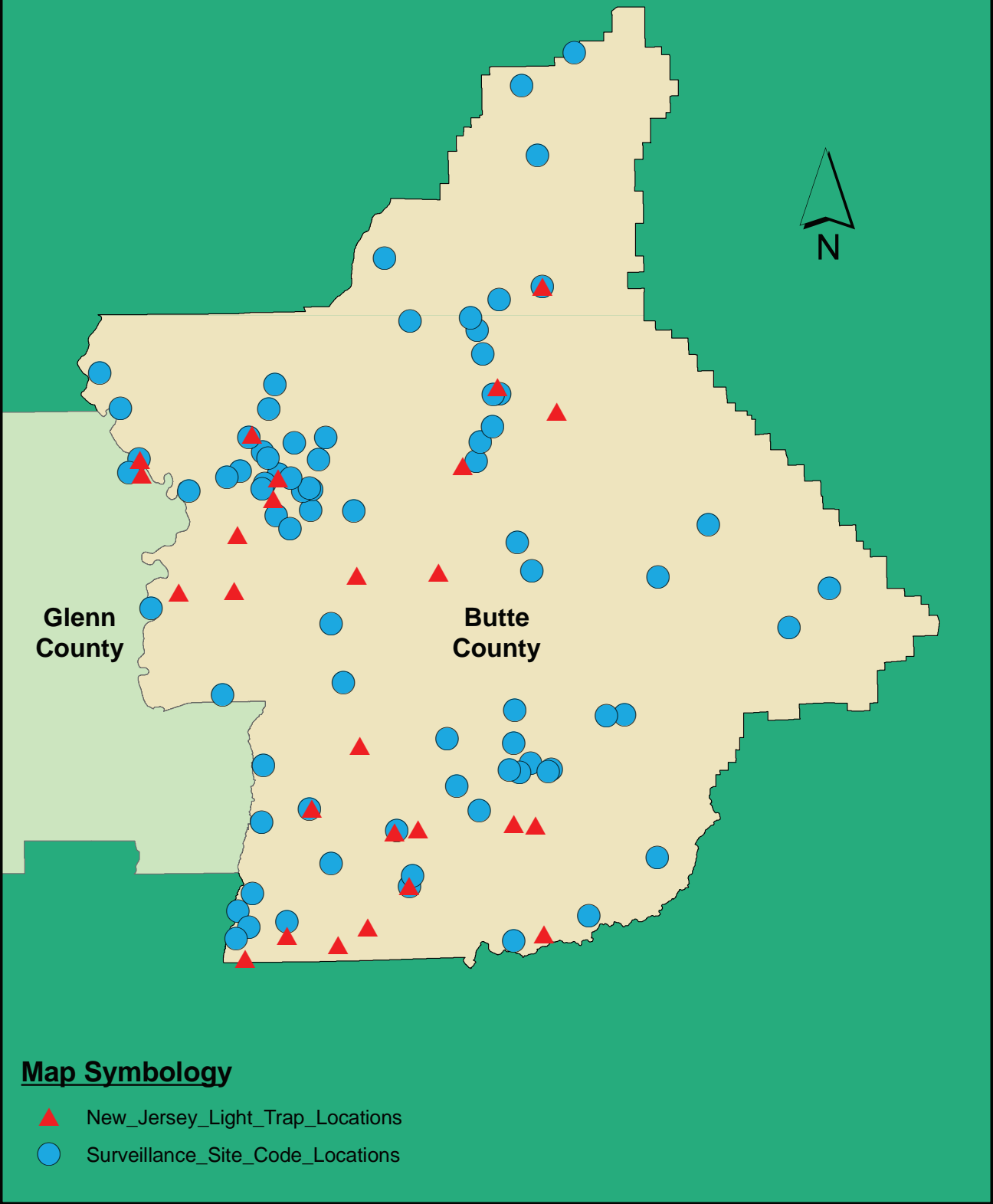
BCMVCVCD Sentinel Chicken Flock Locations and Gravid Trap Locations



Map Symbolology

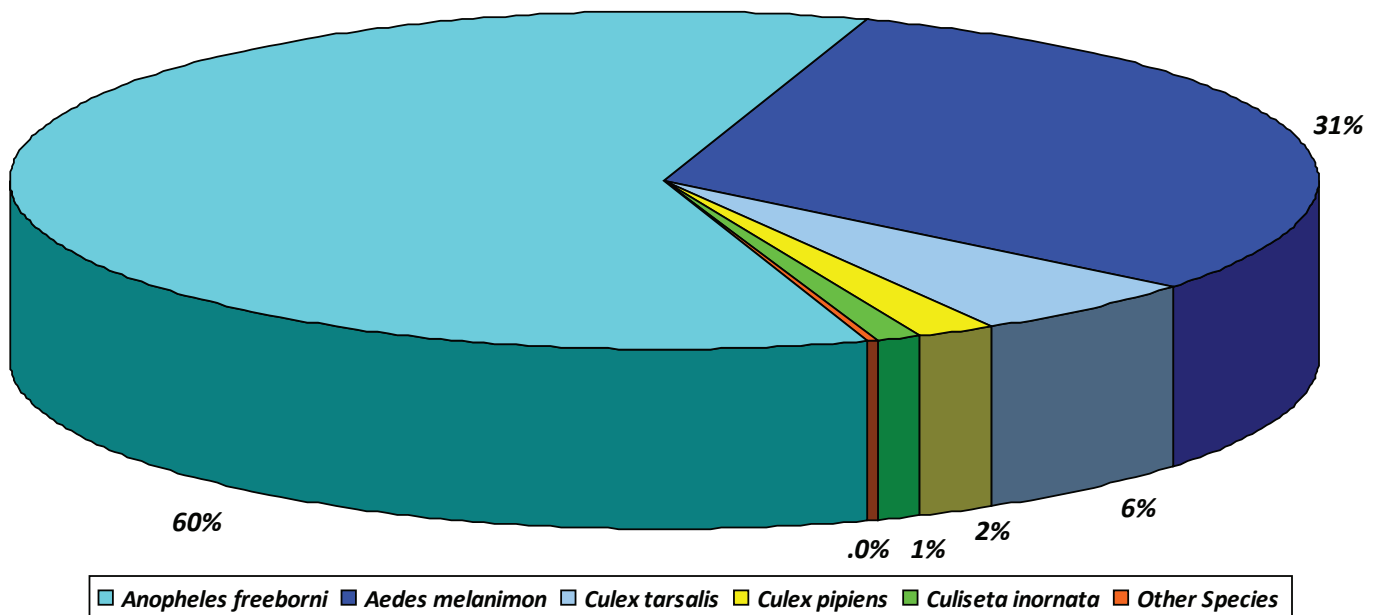
-  Sentinel_Chicken_Flock_Locations
-  Gravid_Trap_Locations

BCMVCD New Jersey Light Trap Locations and Surveillance Site Code Locations

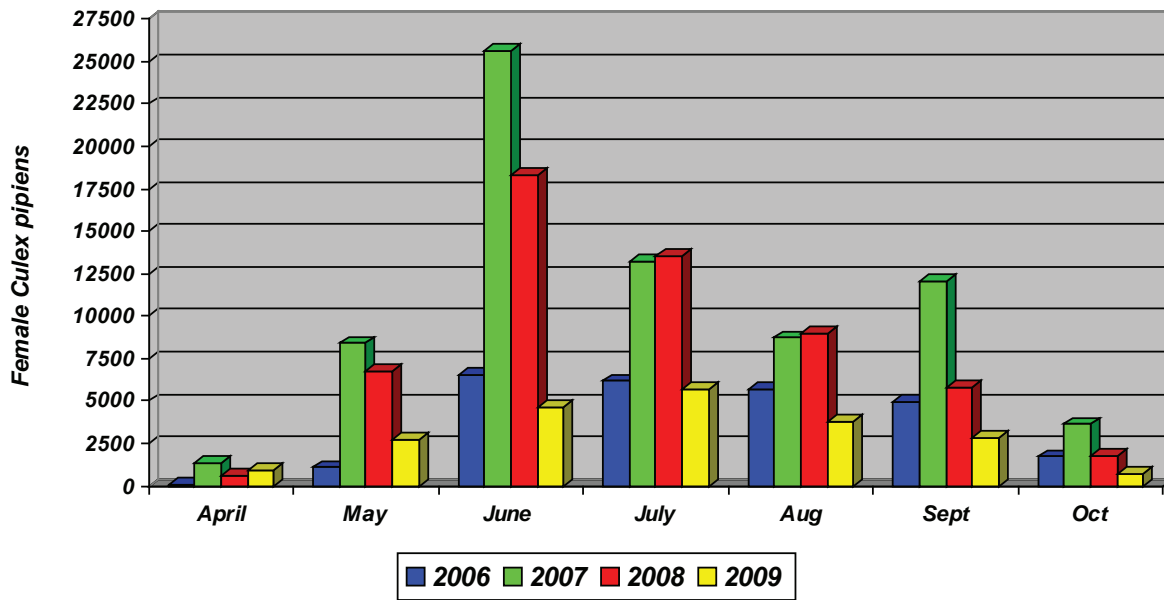


2009 New Jersey Light Trap Collections (Females only)
March 2009 - November 2009

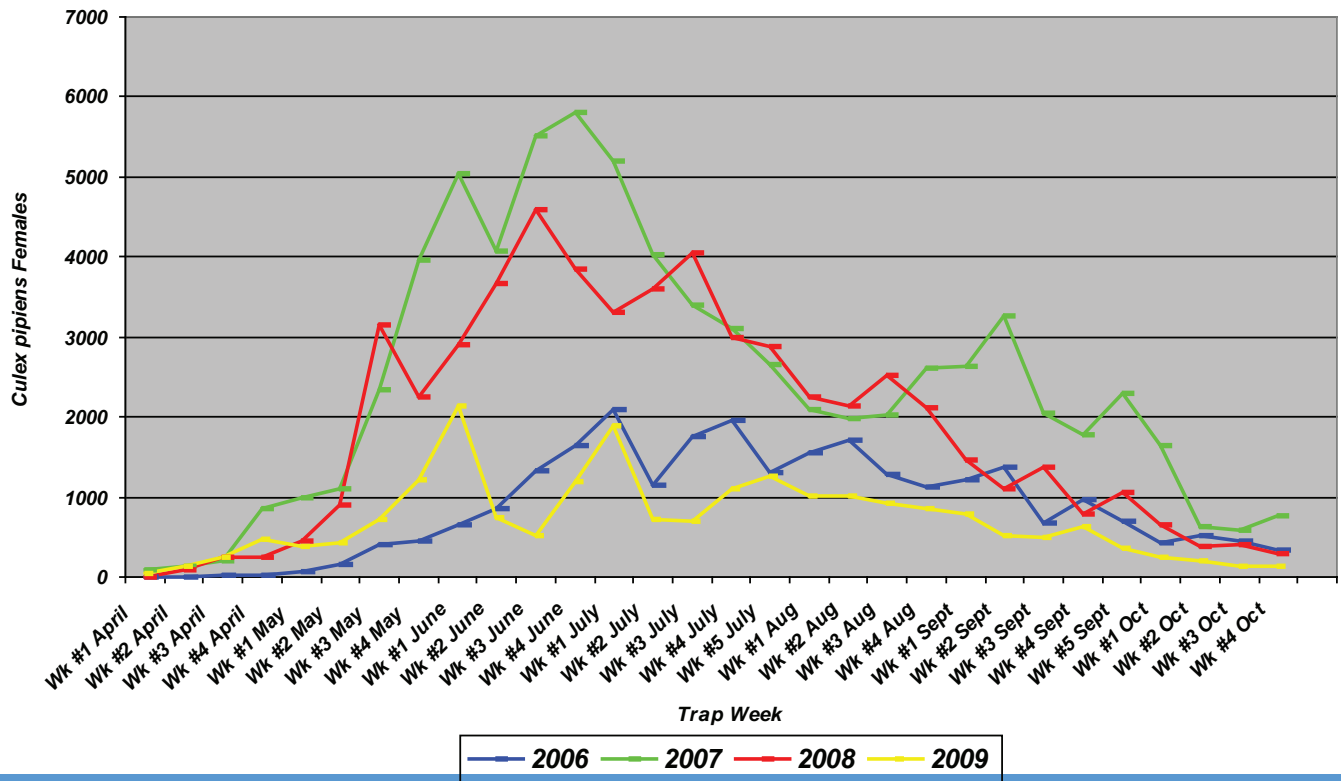
| Ranking | Mosquito Species | Number Collected | % of Collection |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | <i>Anopheles freeborni</i> | 212,750 | 60.0868% |
| 2 | <i>Aedes melanimon</i> | 108,728 | 30.7080% |
| 3 | <i>Culex tarsalis</i> | 20,688 | 5.8429% |
| 4 | <i>Culex pipiens</i> | 7,231 | 2.0422% |
| 5 | <i>Culiseta inornata</i> | 3,757 | 1.0611% |
| 6 | <i>Anopheles punctipennis</i> | 299 | 0.0844% |
| 7 | <i>Culiseta incidens</i> | 252 | 0.0712% |
| 8 | <i>Aedes washinoi</i> | 174 | 0.0491% |
| 9 | <i>Aedes sierrensis</i> | 51 | 0.0144% |
| 10 | <i>Aedes nigromaculis</i> | 47 | 0.0133% |
| 11 | <i>Culex stigmatosoma</i> | 33 | 0.0093% |
| 12 | <i>Anopheles franciscanus</i> | 32 | 0.0090% |
| 13 | <i>Culex erythrothorax</i> | 29 | 0.0082% |
| 14 | <i>Aedes vexans</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| 15 | <i>Culex boharti</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| 16 | <i>Culex thriambus</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| 17 | <i>Culex restuans</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| 18 | <i>Culiseta particeps</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| 19 | <i>Aedes dorsalis</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| 20 | <i>Aedes sticticus</i> | 0 | 0.0000% |
| Total Identified = | | 354,071 | 100.00% |



Gravid Trap Fluctuation by Month



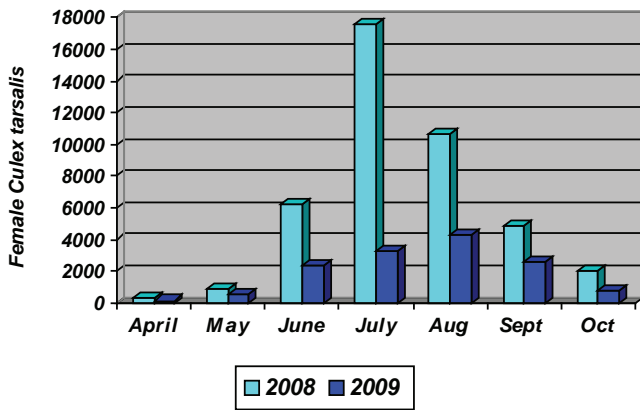
Gravid Trap Fluctuation by Week



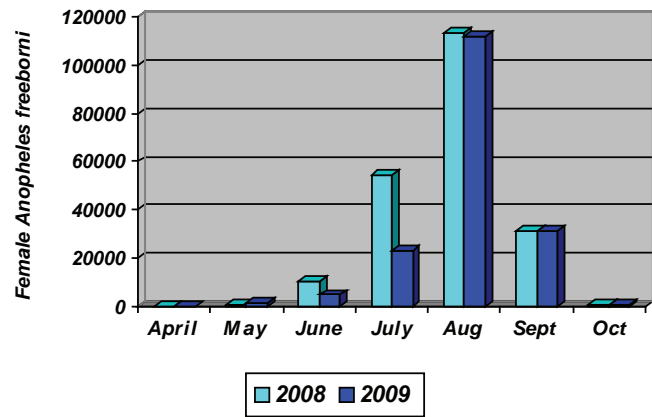
Mosquito Numbers in Butte County 2008 Versus 2009

Seasonal Fluctuation in Numbers of Mosquito Vectors of Disease in Butte County in 2009 Virus Surveillance Season New Jersey Light Traps

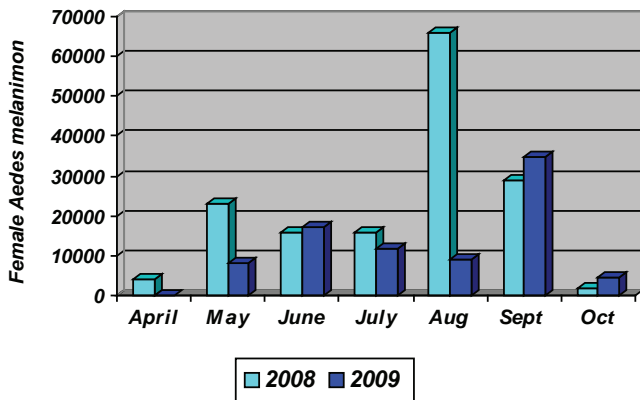
Culex tarsalis



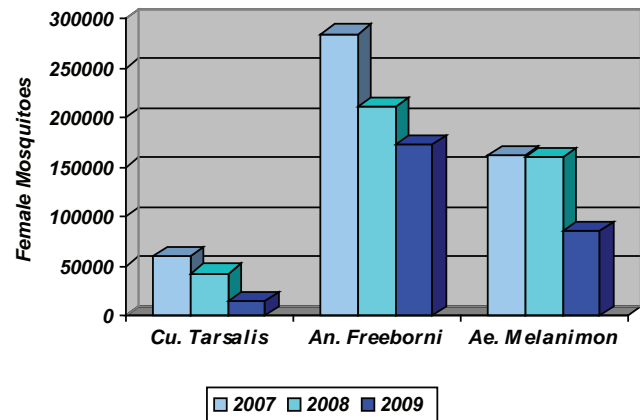
Anopheles freeborni



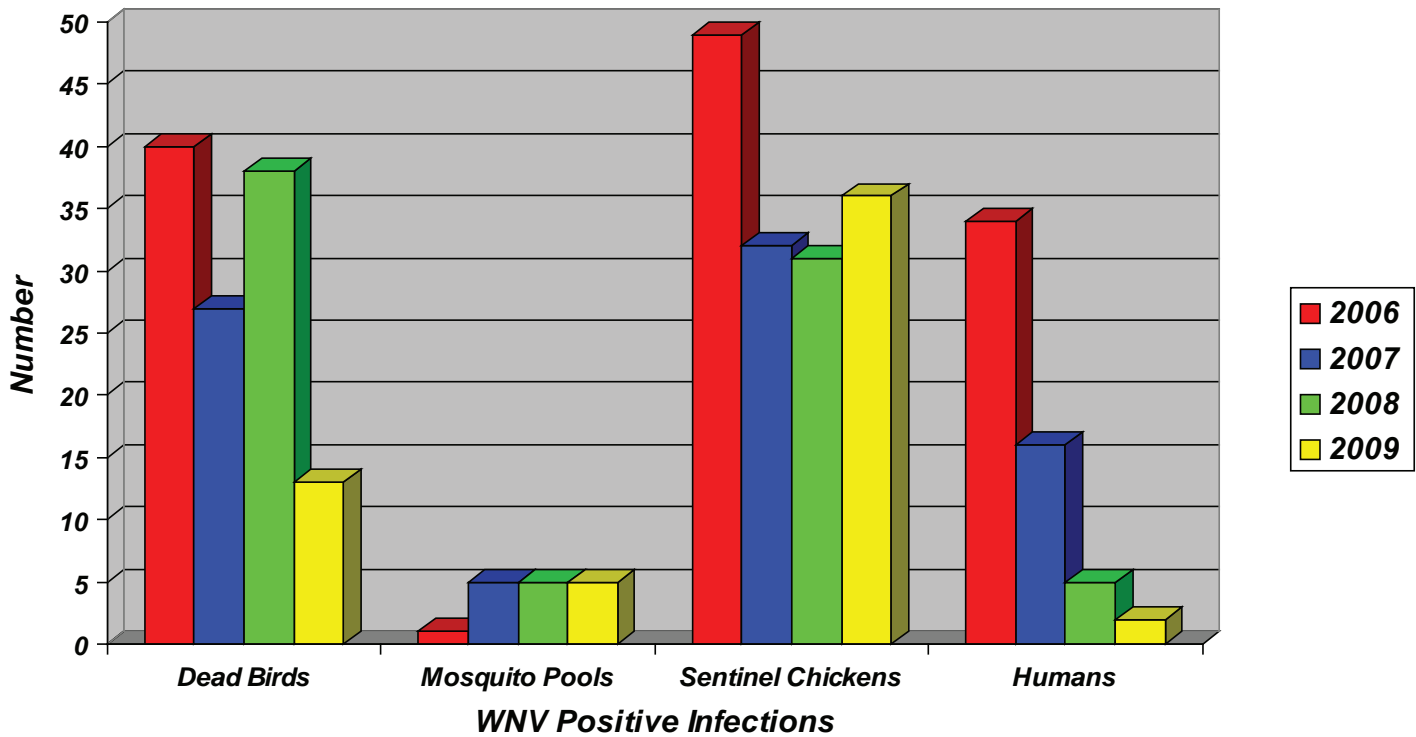
Aedes melanimon



Annual Total Femal Mosquitoes



West Nile Virus Activity



West Nile Virus Symptoms

Serious Symptoms in a Few People

About one in 150 people infected with West Nile virus (WNV) will develop severe illness. The severe symptoms can include high fever, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, vision loss, numbness, and paralysis. These symptoms may last several weeks, and neurological effects may be permanent. WNV infection can be fatal.

Milder Symptoms in Some People

Up to 20 percent of the people who become infected will display symptoms including fever, headache and or body aches, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes swollen lymph glands or a rash on the chest, stomach, and back. Symptoms can last as little as a few days to several weeks.

No Symptoms in Most People

Approximately 80 percent of people (about 4 out of 5) who are infected with WNV will not have any symptoms at all.

Biological Control

Biological control is the intentional use of mosquito pathogens, parasites or predators to reduce the size of target mosquito populations to tolerable levels. The most popular and successful biological tool that is used by the District is the mosquitofish, *Gambusia affinis*. The District has tried other biological control methods and will continue to fully explore any new options that come along, but the most effective biological tool the district currently uses is the mosquitofish. Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District maintains six fishponds at the Oroville Headquarters. These ponds produce hundreds of pounds of mosquitofish each year. The mosquitofish are routinely stocked and planted by District Mosquito Control Specialists to control mosquito populations in sources such as irrigation ditches, industrial, ornamental and artificial ponds, un-maintained swimming pools, semi-permanent and permanent urban sources, and at times in rice fields and wetlands. Mosquitofish are omnivorous and have a voracious appetite for mosquito larvae. The flattened head and protruding mouth enable the fish to readily prey on surface feeding mosquito larvae and pupae. A large female can consume up to 500 larvae per day! All ages, sexes, and sizes of these fish eat mosquito larvae, other small aquatic invertebrate insects, and algae. The fish are visual predators and feed during daylight hours. Due to insecticide resistance and environmental concerns associated with chemical control methods, biological control methods are expanding as an effective tool used in the control of mosquito populations.

Mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis*) 2009

| Mosquito Breeding Source Treated | Pounds of fish Planted | Acres Treated | Applications Made |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Wetlands | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Natural Sources/Wildlife Areas | 24.5 | 361 | 19 |
| Irrigation Ponds | 10.7 | 21 | 21 |
| Canals | 2.31 | 12.6 | 6 |
| Retention and Detention Ponds | 2.31 | 4.7 | 13 |
| Freeway Road Drains | 0.47 | 0.94 | 9 |
| Streams/Creeks | 5.65 | 18.6 | 20 |
| Dredger Pits and Ponds | 3 | 6.1 | 11 |
| Water Troughs | 18.9 | 32.3 | 96 |
| Sloughs | 0.34 | 1.56 | 3 |
| District Grounds/Fish Ponds | 260 | 520 | 170 |
| Natural Sources/Ponds | 58.4 | 98 | 75 |
| Residential Misc. Containers | 31.4 | 14.5 | 158 |
| Sewage Ponds | 1.7 | 3.46 | 8 |
| Duck Clubs | 170 | 2394 | 78 |
| Ornamental Ponds | 0.92 | 1.91 | 16 |
| Swimming Pools | 9.47 | 18.1 | 109 |
| Depressions | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Field Drains | 32.4 | 117 | 100 |
| Fish Ponds | 1.5 | 2.88 | 32 |
| Industrial Misc. Containers | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nurseries | 2.4 | 0.19 | 5 |
| Waste Ponds/Drains | 0.8 | 2.5 | 3 |
| Ditches | 46.9 | 108 | 141 |
| Wells | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 684.07 | 3739.34 | 1093 |



Mosquitofish eating mosquito larvae

Did You Know?

Mosquito biting activity increases **500** times with a full moon.

Chemical Control

Chemical control is the use of target specific insecticides to reduce immature and adult mosquito populations. These chemicals are only applied when physical control, public education and biological control methods are unable to keep mosquito populations tolerable or when emergency control measures dictate the use of chemicals to rapidly terminate or disrupt the transmission of disease to humans. There are two categories of chemicals used by the District, larvicides and adulticides. Larvicides target mosquito larvae and pupae. Adulticides target adult mosquitoes. The chemicals used by the District are registered with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as well as the California Environmental Protection Agency (CAL EPA). The District relies mainly on larviciding as the primary means of chemical mosquito control. However, there are limitations to larviciding as a main control strategy. In Butte County where mosquito breeding occurs over large areas, the practical application of larvicides is not feasible and periodic adulticiding is necessary to protect nearby communities from the attack of adult mosquitoes. Also, there are areas that are environmentally sensitive and limit the use of larvicides. In these areas peripheral adulticiding is the only available option.



Ag-Cat flying a rice field in Biggs for mosquitoes



Truck mounted fogger in the wetlands west of Gridley.



Did You Know?

There is no vaccine that can prevent West Nile virus in humans.

| <i>Materials</i> | <i>Amount of Materials</i> | <i>Acres Treated</i> | <i>Number of Applications</i> |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Larvicides | | | |
| Abate 4E | 0.028 | 2.5 | 2 |
| Aqnique MMF | 3.209 | 9.815 | 162 |
| Altosid Briquettes | 6.87 | 4.56 | 92 |
| Altosid SR-20 | 0.128 | 17 | 15 |
| Altosid Pellets | 86.5335 | 57.25 | 100 |
| Altosid Pellets WSP | 130.393 | 124.657 | 872 |
| Altosid SBG | 54424.5 | 6794 | 162 |
| Bactimos Briquettes | 2.887 | 1.32 | 8 |
| Golden Bear | 1288.78 | 441.775 | 1204 |
| Vectobac 12AS | 1438.19 | 22692.2 | 413 |
| Vetolex WDG | 5.563 | 12.25 | 16 |
| | 2730.179 gal. | 30157.327 | 3046 |
| | 54656.9025lbs. | | |

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|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Adulticides | | | |
| Anvil 10+10 ULV | 277.873 | 89815.1 | 788 |
| Anvil 2+2 ULV | 11.936 | 3007.91 | 32 |
| Aqualhalt | 184.741 | 36635.3 | 134 |
| Baygon 1.5 | 0.125 | 0.07 | 1 |
| Prentox 3% | 13.805 | 2359.4 | 46 |
| Pyrethrin 5% | 28.434 | 5283.3 | 78 |
| Pyrethrin 12 | 60.854 | 80690 | 187 |
| Trumpet EC | 358.91 | 59938.5 | 176 |
| | 936.678 gal. | 277729.58 | 1442 |

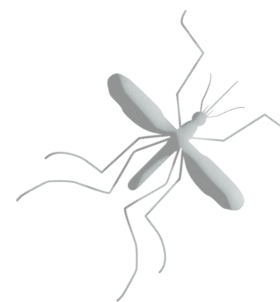
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| Barrier Sprays | | | |
| Baytex 7lb | 1.368 | 2.824 | 41 |
| Dursban 4E | 0.121 | 0.41 | 3 |
| Suspend SC | 1.48 | 4.293 | 51 |
| | 1.601 gal. | 7.527 | 95 |
| | 1.368 lbs. | | |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------|
| Yellowjacket Control | | | |
| Drione | 0.844 | 0.18 | 6 |
| | 0.844 lbs. | 0.18 | 6 |

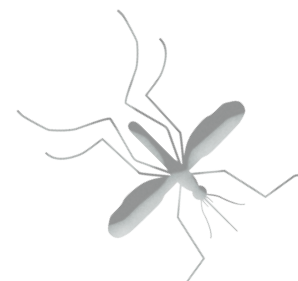
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| Herbicides | | | |
| Glyphosate Pro | 0.4505 | 0.88 | 5 |
| Glypro Plus | 0.378 | 1.12 | 5 |
| Round Up Pro | 2.237 | 2.5 | 16 |
| | 3.0655 gal. | 4.5 | 26 |

Totals = 3671.5235 gal. 307,899.11 4615
54659.1145 lbs.

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Aircraft Spraying | |
| Total Sources Sprayed | 866 |
| Total Acres Treated | 126,060 |
| Total Acres Rice | 22,358 |
| Total Acres Duck Clubs | 6,794 |
| Total Acres ULV | 96,573 |
| Total Acres Other | 0 |



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District Shop

At the Oroville facility, the District employs one full time mechanic and one seasonal shop assistant. The District's shop provides the maintenance and repairs for 30 vehicles, 2 forklifts, 1 backhoe, 3 ATV's, 2 amphibious Tritons, 1 nurse truck and 4 utility trailers. Additionally, the shop is responsible for the maintenance and repairs to the District's electric ULV foggers, gas ULV foggers, back cans, power sprayers, small engines such as chain saws, weed eaters, lawn mowers, etc. and other mechanical items. The shop is also responsible for repairing and installing improvements to the District facilities and grounds when and where necessary. Often the shop will repair the Districts security system, lighting fixtures, plumbing fixtures, and others as needed.



District Hangar

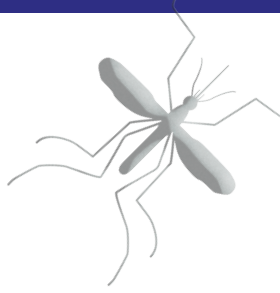
At the Oroville facility, the District employs one full time Advanced Pilot II and has an additional pilot on standby for emergency needs. On average the planes make applications to over 150,000 acres each year. During down time, the 3 planes receive repairs and technological improvements such as new instruments and instrument panels, installation of new technology (altimeter, Satloc, Ag-Nav), repainting, replacing engine parts, and routine annual maintenance. The Advanced Pilot II also is responsible for renting a passenger plane and providing aerial surveillance flights over seasonally flooded wetlands and duck clubs for the District's Mosquito and Vector Control Specialists.



District Administration

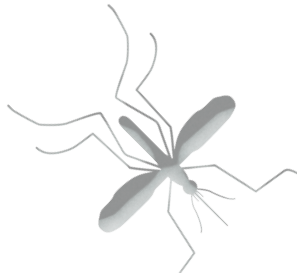
Greeted by a nice smile and a pleasant tone, professional and courteous customer service is the number one priority for the District's administration staff. The District employs one full time Office Manager and one full time Receptionist. The tasks of the administrative personnel involve serving the residents of Butte County and Hamilton City as well as the employees of the District. Accounting, budgeting, responding to telephone inquiries, maintaining public records, coordinating policies, and reporting to the Board of Trustees are just a few of the many duties the department performs.





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| Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District | | | | |
|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|--|
| For The Year Ended June 30, 2009 | | | | |
| | | Budgeted | Actual | Variance Favorable (Unfavorable) |
| Revenue | | \$ 2,212,050 | \$ 2,678,725 | \$ 466,675 |
| <u>SALARIES & BENEFITS</u> | | | | |
| Salaries | | \$ 1,139,000 | \$ 982,246 | \$ 156,754 |
| Workers Compensation | | \$ 33,000 | \$ 29,482 | \$ 3,518 |
| FICA & U I | | \$ 100,000 | \$ 88,322 | \$ 11,678 |
| Health Insurance | | \$ 245,000 | \$ 204,181 | \$ 40,819 |
| PERS | | \$ 156,000 | \$ 135,836 | \$ 20,164 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 1,673,000 | \$ 1,440,067 | \$ 232,933 |
| <u>SERVICES & SUPPLIES</u> | | | | |
| Gas & Oil | | \$ 120,000 | \$ 84,188 | \$ 35,812 |
| Repairs & Parts-Airplane | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 11,072 | \$ (1,072) |
| Repairs & Parts | | \$ 20,000 | \$ 29,922 | \$ (9,922) |
| Office Supplies | | \$ 11,000 | \$ 10,490 | \$ 510 |
| Education & Publicity | | \$ 3,000 | \$ 5,453 | \$ (2,453) |
| Insecticides | | \$ 330,000 | \$ 272,955 | \$ 57,045 |
| Expendable Equipment | | \$ 20,000 | \$ 18,167 | \$ 1,833 |
| Communications | | \$ 11,000 | \$ 9,734 | \$ 1,266 |
| Travel | | \$ 7,500 | \$ 9,868 | \$ (2,368) |
| Utilities | | \$ 13,000 | \$ 11,253 | \$ 1,747 |
| Rent | | \$ 10,500 | \$ 10,125 | \$ 375 |
| Special Services | | \$ 50,000 | \$ 64,533 | \$ (14,533) |
| Trustee Allowance | | \$ 12,000 | \$ 11,400 | \$ 600 |
| General Insurance | | \$ 85,000 | \$ 76,903 | \$ 8,097 |
| Employee Trng & Dues | | \$ 17,000 | \$ 15,058 | \$ 1,942 |
| Miscellaneous | | \$ 12,000 | \$ 13,280 | \$ (1,280) |
| Research Supplies | | \$ 20,000 | \$ 19,071 | \$ 929 |
| Alternate Technology | | \$ 4,000 | \$ 595 | \$ 3,405 |
| Special Discretionary | | \$ 40,000 | \$ 25,492 | \$ 14,508 |
| Gambusia | | \$ 1,000 | \$ 1,986 | \$ (986) |
| | TOTAL | \$ 797,000 | \$ 701,545 | \$ 95,455 |
| <u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u> | | | | |
| Bldg & Improvements | | \$ 15,000 | \$ 12,130 | \$ 2,870 |
| Vehicles | | \$ 40,000 | \$ 41,813 | \$ (1,813) |
| Spray Equipment | | \$ 10,000 | \$ 17,987 | \$ (7,987) |
| Aircraft | | \$ 22,000 | \$ 7,651 | \$ 14,349 |
| Office Equipment | | \$ 3,000 | \$ 5,407 | \$ (2,407) |
| Laboratory Equipment | | \$ 2,000 | \$ - | \$ 2,000 |
| Shop Equipment | | \$ 4,000 | \$ - | \$ 4,000 |
| Education & Publicity | | \$ 4,000 | \$ 3,636 | \$ 364 |
| Miscellaneous | | \$ 7,000 | \$ - | \$ 7,000 |
| Communications | | \$ 55,000 | \$ 51,694 | \$ 3,306 |
| | TOTAL | \$ 162,000 | \$ 140,318 | \$ 21,682 |
| Appropriation for contingencies | | \$ 654,500 | \$ - | \$ 654,500 |
| Grand Total | | \$ 3,286,500 | \$ 2,281,930 | \$ 1,004,570 |
| Excess(Deficiency) of | | | | |
| Revenue over Expenditures | | \$ (1,074,450) | \$ 396,795 | \$ 1,471,245 |
| Fund Balance 2008 | | | 2,884,264 | |
| Fund Balance 2009 | | | 3,251,706 | |
| annual report 6-30-09 | | | | |

2009 Financials

**Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
For The Year Ended June 30, 2009**

| Assets | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Cash and Investments | 2,703,710 |
| Accounts receivable | 12,287 |
| Interest receivable | 20,657 |
| Inventories | 603,106 |
| Total Assets | <u><u>3,339,760</u></u> |
| | |
| Liabilities and Fund Balance | |
| Liabilities | |
| Accounts payable | 33,734 |
| Accrued salaries and Benefits | 54,320 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>88,054</u> |
| | |
| Fund Balance | |
| Reserved for imprest cash | 1,100 |
| Reserved for inventories | 603,106 |
| Reserved, other | 70,000 |
| Reserved for aircraft engines | 30,000 |
| Unreserved, reported in: | |
| General Fund | 2,547,500 |
| Total Fund Balance | <u>3,251,706</u> |
| Total Liabilities and Funds Balance | <u><u>3,339,760</u></u> |

**Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Assets:**

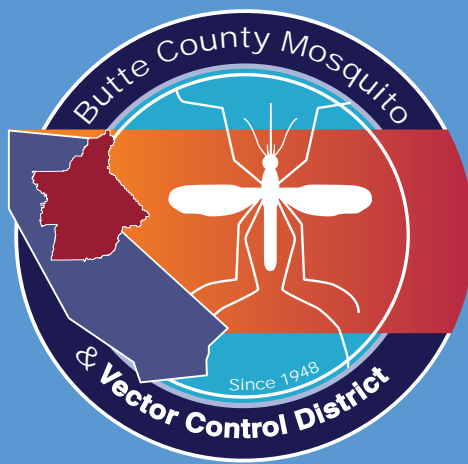
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| Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds | 946,951 |
| Long term liabilities are not due in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental fund. | <u>(241,252)</u> |
| Net Assets of Governmental Activities | <u><u>3,957,405</u></u> |

*2009 Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District
Board of Trustees*

| Name | Title | Area Represented | |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Lynn Vanhart | Board Vice President | County District 1 | Bill Connelly |
| Dan Hutfless | Board Trustee | County District 2 | Jane Dolan |
| Charles Bird | Board Assistant Secretary | County District 3 | Maureen Kirk |
| Jack Bequette | Board Trustee | County District 4 | Steve Lambert |
| Allan Seefeldt | Board Trustee | County District 5 | Kim Yamaguchi |
| William Thebach | Board Trustee | City of Biggs | Peter Carr |
| Albert Beck | Board President | City of Chico | Tom Lando |
| Jerry Anne Fichter | Board Trustee | City of Gridley | Jack Slota |
| Terry Mallan | Board Trustee | Town of Paradise | Frankie Rutledge |
| Tom Anderson | Board Secretary | Hamilton City | Bd of Supervisors |
| Vacant | | City of Oroville | City Council |

*2009 Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District
Employees*

| Name | Title | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Matt Ball | Manager | |
| Dan Moench | Assistant Manager | |
| Del Boyd | Advanced Pilot II | |
| Darlene Starkey | Office Manager | |
| Bill Kunde | Regional Supervisor | |
| Doug Weseman | Public Information Officer | |
| Pete Gibson | Mechanic | |
| Eric Gohre | Entomologist 1 | |
| Beth Vice | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 1 |
| Jim Richards | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 3 |
| Aaron Goff | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 4 |
| AAaron Lumsden | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 6 |
| Ryan Rothenwander | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 8 |
| Glen Williams | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 9 |
| Phillip Henry | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 10 |
| Shane Robertson | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 11 |
| Don Lasik | Mosquito Control Specialist | Zone 14 |
| Jodi Sneeringer | Receptionist Clerk | |
| Justin VanGilder | Seasonal Helper | Zone 1 |
| Andy Lemenager | Seasonal Helper | Zone 3 & 12 |
| David Martinez | Seasonal Helper | Zone 3 & 12 |
| Elliott Santos | Seasonal Helper | Zone 3 & 12 |
| Zach Santos | Seasonal Helper | Zone 3 & 12 |
| Jerad Martinez | Seasonal Helper | Zone 6 |
| Alicia Strang | Seasonal Helper | Zone 6 |
| Jason Haller | Seasonal Helper | Zone 8 |
| Ryan Berryman | Seasonal Helper | Zone 10 |
| Joe Garcia | Seasonal Helper | Zone 11 |
| Kurtis Upton | Seasonal Helper | Zone 14 |
| Pat Self | Seasonal Helper | Shop/yard |



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