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SAC-YOLO MOSQUITO CONTROL IS LOOKING FOR HELPING HANDS
--Volunteers Needed For Mosquito Awareness Week

ELK GROVE, Calif. April 2, 2008--- The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District is seeking volunteers for its third annual Volunteer Day. Volunteers are asked to help distribute educational materials focused on preventing mosquitoes, protecting your family against West Nile virus and promoting District services during Mosquito Awareness Week. "As temperatures continue to rise and mosquitoes come out, we'll need volunteers to help spread our health messages." said District Manager, David Brown "Volunteer day offers a great opportunity for many to learn what they can do to help stop mosquitoes from breeding around their home and I hope many will participate." Volunteer Day is scheduled for Thursday, April 24, 2008.

West Nile virus activity has started early this season and the District continues its work to reduce mosquito populations. We must all continue working together to drain standing water around the house, wear an effective mosquito repellent when you're outside and calling the District to report a neglected swimming pool. For additional information or to sign up, please contact Luz Maria Rodriguez at 916.405-2082 or by email at lrodriguez@fightthebite.net

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The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District provides free year round mosquito and vector control services. Our goal is to keep the public healthy by preventing the transmission of diseases and improving the quality of life for residents of Sacramento and Yolo counties.

District's 7Ds of mosquito prevention:

DRAIN any standing water that may produce mosquitoes.

DAWN and **DUSK** are times to avoid being outdoors.

DRESS appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outside.

DEFEND yourself against mosquitoes by using an effective insect repellent, such as DEET, Picaridin or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus. Make sure you follow label directions!

DOOR and window screens should be in good working condition.

DISTRICT personnel are also available to address any mosquito problem you may be experiencing by calling 1-800-429-1022 or visiting the District online at FIGHTtheBITE.net.

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