SACRAMENTO-YOLO MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

The Sacramento–Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District provides year-round mosquito and vector control services to the residents of Sacramento and Yolo Counties.

Mosquito and vector control is based on scientifically planned management tactics and control strategies that reduce the abundance of target pests in a timely manner. This method is commonly referred to as "integrated pest management". This comprehensive program incorporates five basic methods: public relations and education, mosquito and vector surveillance, biological control, physical control and chemical control (larvicides and adulticides).

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OFFICE LOCATIONS AND HOURS OF OPERATION

Sacramento County

8631 Bond Road Elk Grove, CA 95624 Phone: 1-800-429-1022 Fax: 916-685-5464 Web site: FIGHTtheBITE.net Hours: 7:00 am to 3:30 pm

Yolo County

1234 Fortna Avenue Woodland, CA 95695 Phone: 1-800-429-1022 Fax: 530-668-3403 Web site: FIGHTtheBITE.net Hours: 7:00 am to 3:30 pm

ABOUT US

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HISTORY

In 1915, the California Legislature adopted the "Mosquito Abatement Act" (now incorporated into the State Health and Safety Code, Chapter 5 of Division 3) which formed the basis for the creation, function and governing powers of Mosquito Abatement Districts.

On June 18, 1946, the Sacramento County–Yolo County Mosquito Abatement District was formed by joint resolution of the Board of Supervisors for Sacramento and Yolo counties. The driving force behind the formation of the District was the community's need for protection against mosquitoborne diseases and relief from serious pest nuisance.

In July of 1990, the District Board voted by resolution to change the name of the District to the Sacramento—Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District to better reflect the expanded services and responsibilities the District assumed regarding ticks, yellowjackets and other vectors.





SYMVCD'S GOVERNING BOARD

The District is governed by a Board of Trustees, each representing one of the incorporated cities and/or one of the counties within the District's boundaries. Each trustee is appointed by a City Council Member or by the County Supervisors. Board meetings are held at 10:00 am on the third Tuesday of each month in Elk Grove.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide safe, effective and economical mosquito and vector control for Sacramento and Yolo Counties.

GOAL

To protect public health and welfare from vectorborne diseases such as West Nile virus, Western Equine encephal-moyelitis, St. Louis encephalitis, canine heartworm, malaria, Babesiosis and Ehrlichiosis.

SERVICES

The District provides year-round mosquito control services to the residents of Sacramento and Yolo Counties. The District also provides pest management information on a variety of vectors. For inquiries or to request service please call the District at 1-800-429-1022, or visit us online at FIGHTtheBITE.net.

SYMVCD DEPARTMENTS

Fisheries

The Fisheries department is responsible for breeding mosquitofish and other fish species that prey on mosquitoes.

Laboratory

The Laboratory provides research and surveillance information which guides efficient control of vectors and vectorborne diseases in Sacramento and Yolo counties.

Public Information and Education

The Public Information and Education department educates



and informs the public about mosquitoes and vector-borne diseases. Residents are encouraged to practice the District's **7Ds** of Mosquito Prevention. **DRAIN** any standing water that may produce mosquitoes. **DAWN** and **DUSK** are times to avoid being outdoors. These are the times when mosquitoes are most active. **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. This will prevent mosquitoes from entering your home. **DISTRICT** personnel are available to address any mosquito problem you may be experiencing by calling 1-800-429-1022 or visiting us online at FIGHTtheBITE.net.

Mapping and Information Technology

The Mapping and Information Technology department is responsible for mapping and tracking the application of the California Environmental Protection Agency-registered products, the release of mosquitofish. The Mapping and Information Technology department is also responsible for tracking calls from residents requesting service.

Mosquito and Vector Control Operations

The District's Mosquito and Vector Control Operations are responsible for reducing mosquito populations throughout Sacramento and Yolo counties.

Shop

The shop repairs District vehicles and installs equipment as necessary. All shop personnel are Automotive Service Excellence–certified mechanics.

Ecological Management

The Ecological Management department physically changes or alters mosquito habitats, thus reducing or eliminating mosquito production.