



**Antelope Valley Mosquito
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PRESS RELEASE

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Public Hearing regarding Proposition 218 Assessment

Lancaster, CA, June 24th, 2022: In May 2022, the Antelope Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District sent out a ballot measure to residents within District boundaries that proposed a small increase in funding for the District in order to maintain the high level of mosquito-control services provided to the community. A public Hearing regarding the measure will be held on Tuesday July 5th at 4:00 p.m.

During the Public Hearing meeting, there will be a public input portion. Each speaker will be permitted 3 minutes to speak. Depending on how many people would like to speak, this portion can take up to 30 minutes or more. A link to attend the Public Hearing via Zoom will be sent to residents upon request. Please email Leann@avmosquito.org to request the link for our upcoming public hearing to be held Tuesday, July 5th at 4:00 pm.

There will be a designated ballot drop off person located at the District office at the time of the zoom meetings. Please make appropriate arrangements to be near the District office if you wish to submit a ballot prior to the close of the public input portion of the meeting. We cannot accept any more ballots after we close the public input, and make one final call for ballots.

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT 42624 6th St E, Lancaster, CA 93535, BY THE END OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PORTION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING on July 5th, 2022.

Please note, ballot results will be announced at the July 13th meeting which the community is also welcome to attend. Email Leann@avmosquito.org for the link to that meeting.

The District monitors pools to ensure they are either clean and maintained or completely dry. The 2022 aerial flyover was conducted during the second week of June and residents will start receiving pool notices soon. Please keep in mind that this monitoring system is not flawless. If you receive a pool notice in error, please respond according to the instructions on the notice or visit www.avmosquito.org/clean-pools-healthy-communities/ for more information. Reducing these major mosquito breeding sources means reducing the mosquito population.

The District urges residents to do their part to protect themselves from mosquito bites by following these recommendations:

- Check property for standing water and get rid of it
- When mosquitoes are active, use EPA registered insect repellents that contain one of these main ingredients: DEET, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, IR3535 according to label instructions
- If weather permits, wear clothes that cover as much skin as possible
- Make sure your screens on windows and doors are in good repair to avoid mosquitoes in the home
- Check around faucets and air conditioner units, and repair leaks or puddles that remain for several days
- Report daytime biting mosquitoes to the AVMVCD at 661-942-2917
- Report stagnant pools and other backyard sources to the AVMVCD at 661-942-2917
- Report dead birds by calling 1-877-WNV-BIRD (877-968-2473) or online at www.westnile.ca.gov

To stay up-to-date on new West Nile Virus activity in the Antelope Valley and any mosquito related information visit our website at www.avmosquito.org, Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/avmosquito>), and follow us on Twitter and Instagram @AVMosquito.

For any further questions or services please feel free to contact the Antelope Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District by phone (661-942-2917).

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