

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE - West Nile Virus

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The Southern Nevada Health District's mosquito surveillance program has detected West Nile virus in a cluster of mosquitoes in northern Clark County.

There are two human West Nile virus cases in Clark County that have been reported, both individuals are under the age of 50 and have the milder form of the illness. So far this year, Nevada has a total of eight West Nile virus cases. In 2006, Nevada had a total of 124 human cases, including one death. Three Clark County residents contracted the illness last year, all of whom contracted it while traveling outside the area.

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