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WEST NILE VIRUS DETECTED IN MOSQUITOES IN CLARK COUNTY, NV AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CA







The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles informs Filipinos in the U.S. Southwest that mosquitoes positive for the West Nile Virus (WNV) were detected in Clark County, Nevada and Los Angeles County, California.

According to authorities, there is no human vaccine nor specific treatment yet for WNV, which can cause life-threatening illnesses such as encephalitis and meningitis.

The public is urged to protect themselves from mosquito bites and follow precautionary measures set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and local county health offices, including:

- Using mosquito spray, wipes, or lotion when outside;
- Maintaining doors and window screens in good condition; and
- Getting rid of places where mosquitoes lay eggs, such as items where water collects (potted plants, pet water bowls, and bird baths)

For more information on WNV, visit: https://www.cdc.gov/west-nile-virus/index.html

