

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS/BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT TO APPROVE THE MOSQUITO-BORNE VIRUS RESPONSE AND OPERATIONS PLAN

WHEREAS, West Nile Virus (WNV) is a serious mosquito-borne disease that can result in debilitating cases of meningitis and encephalitis, and can lead to the deaths of humans, horses, avian species, and other wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Public Health has reported that WNV is endemic in California, and will continue to pose a public health threat; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, WNV has affected humans, horses, birds and other wildlife in Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Vector Control District is a local government agency organized and existing under California Health and Safety Code division 3, chapter 1, and therefore it is a governmental entity within the meaning of section 2929.3; and

WHEREAS, the California Health and Safety Code division 3, chapter 1, section 2001 (c) states that vector control districts are established "with the power to conduct effective programs for the surveillance, prevention, abatement, and control of mosquitoes and other vectors"; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors acts as the District's Board of Trustees (Board), and approves policies for the operation of the Vector Control District; and

WHEREAS, the policies that are approved by the Board are implemented on an operational basis by the District; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of these policies to provide the District with sufficient operational flexibility in responding to mosquito-borne viruses and other pathogens, which can vary in their interactions with the environment, animals and humans;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors/Board of Trustees of the Santa Clara County Vector Control District accepts the report and adopts the resolution to approve the Vector Control District's Mosquito-borne Virus Response & Operations Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors/Board of Trustees of the Santa Clara County Vector Control District, State of California on MAR 29 2011 by the following vote:

AYES: ~~CORTESE, KNISS, SHIRAKAWA, WASSERMAN, YEAGER~~

NOES: KNISS

ABSENT: CORTESE



Dave Cortese, President
Board of Supervisors/Board of Trustees
Santa Clara County Vector Control District

ATTEST:



Maria Marinos
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors/Board of Trustees

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

 3-21-2011

Mark Bernal
Deputy County Counsel

Adopted