



## TUSCOLA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT

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### West Nile Virus Detected in Tuscola County

A deceased crow found in Juniata township, recently tested positive for the first case of the West Nile Virus detected in Tuscola County in 2024. In response, control efforts will continue to take place to reduce mosquito populations. Our department will continue to monitor the WNV in this area and the entire county.

Residents are encouraged to take appropriate measures to protect themselves from mosquito bites. The detection of the WNV is relatively a common occurrence in the county and throughout the state.

WNV is transmitted to people and animals through the bite of a mosquito that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. Most human infections are rarely diagnosed as most infections result in no symptoms. When symptoms are present, they include flu-like illness with a fever. Severe cases, although rare, may develop neurologic symptoms such as meningitis or encephalitis requiring hospitalization.

Tuscola County Mosquito Abatement employees are dedicated and determined to keep our residents safe from mosquito born-disease. Control efforts will continue throughout the remainder of the season.

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