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NEWS RELEASE

Human, Bird, and Mosquitoes Test Positive for West Nile Virus

Brazos County's first human case of West Nile Virus (WNV) for 2005 was confirmed on September 9, 2005. The patient resides on Ashburn Street in College Station, and has made a full recovery. College Station mosquito control personnel were notified immediately to start control measures on city property in that area.

In addition, two positive mosquito samples for WNV were found in Bryan on August 30 and September 5 on Sharon Drive and Brook Hollow Drive respectively. Also, a blue jay positive for WNV was collected on September 6, 2005 on Arbor Drive in Bryan. Mosquito control personnel for the City of Bryan have been notified. Residents in all four areas will be notified by phone with the automated Dialogics system.

Residents are asked to continue to keep their defenses up against mosquitoes, as twenty-eight sites in both Bryan and College Station have had WNV positive mosquitoes and/or birds. Please keep in mind that the entire Brazos County is positive for the disease.

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