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Jefferson County West Nile Virus (WNV) Surveillance Program Final Report for 2004

This is our final report of 2004. The cool somewhat moist summer of 2004 along with other factors contributed to a very quite mosquito and WNV season. Periodic reports have been to provide to give you up-to-date summaries of the Jefferson County WNV Integrated Mosquito Management Program. We have discontinued all of our animal and mosquito surveillance efforts until next spring.

During this season the entire Department of Health and Environment placed emphasis on education outreach to the county residents. Among other factors, the weather and decreased bird populations coupled with both community and individual prevention efforts helped minimize case counts.

As was true last year, a great deal of thanks goes out to our colleagues across the county: Animal Control teams did a great job in making the surveillance system function effectively. Veterinarians that kept the state abreast of horse cases and referred dead birds for testing. Many public servants at the municipalities and the county worked diligent to inform residents, answer questions, and ensure that our Intergovernmental Agreements worked. Thanks to Colorado Mosquito Control for faithfully carrying out their contracted duties of integrated mosquito control management. Lastly thanks to the Jefferson County Department of Public Health and Environment team - my friends, partners and colleagues did a fine job of addressing and implementing the many complex aspects of this whole WNV control effort.

Our tentative final WNV statistics for the year for Jefferson County are:

- No human deaths
- Positive tests:
 - Seven humans – some of which acquired their disease out of the county
 - No birds
 - No horses
 - No mosquito pools

For continued Colorado state-wide year-to-date WNV test results, please visit website:
<http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/zoonosis/wnv/WNVREPORT.pdf>

Sources of information for the summary report came from:

1. **Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE) West Nile Virus Information:** <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/dc/zoonosis/wnv/wnvhom.html>
2. **Jefferson County WNV Surveillance and Control Program**

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Jefferson County WNV Website: http://ww2/ext/dpt/health/westnile_updates.htm