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Aedes Aegypti Mosquito Breeding Site Found in Gila River

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Evidence of a small breeding site for *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes has been located a block west of 51st Ave and Pecos in District 6. A mosquito egg trap at this location has been determined to be positive for Aedes eggs.

Aedes aegypti is a non-native mosquito that feeds exclusively on human blood. It is known to transmit serious illnesses such as Dengue Fever, Yellow Fever, Zika virus, and Chikungunya. So far, no local transmission of these illnesses has occurred in the state of Arizona.

Environmental Health Services will be doing further trapping, for both adults and eggs, in this area. Control measures will include larvaciding and adulticiding.

Residents are encouraged to use DEET-based insect repellent on skin and clothes.

Make sure to follow directions on the bottle.

EFFECTIVE PREVENTION METHODS

Mosquitoes can complete their life cycle in water as fast a four days. It is important to:

- Empty standing water containers such as dog bowls, buckets, planters, and wading pools every two to three days
- Keep grass cut low and remove old tires
- Install window and door screens to keep the blood-suckers out.

If you have concerns about Aedes aegypti mosquitoes, please call Environmental Health Services 520-562-5100 (Sacaton) or 520-550-8000 (Laveen).