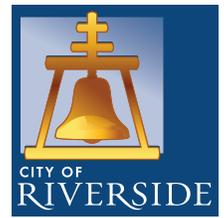


# INFORMATION ABOUT MOSQUITO, RODENT AND DISEASE CONTROL



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## RIVERSIDE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Riverside Property Owners Have an Opportunity to Improve Their Defense Against Disease-Carrying Pests Like Rodents and Mosquitoes

- Currently, the City of Riverside only provides minimal service and treatment-only response to mosquitoes for 75% of the City, the remaining 25% receives comprehensive services from the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District (Northwest).
- In March, Northwest will send mailed ballots to property owners not already served by the district, allowing them to vote to receive vector control services from Northwest (see map on reverse).
- With a majority approval, assessments as noted below would be levied on the parcels within the proposed expansion area, allowing full vector control services throughout the City.
- Northwest would provide detection and treatment for mosquitoes, Africanized bees, rodents, flies and other pests that carry infectious diseases like West Nile Virus and Yellow Fever.



### Better Protection and Services for a Minimal Annual Price

- Homeowners would receive vector control and extermination services for just 80¢ per month, assessed yearly on their property tax bill.
- Commercial and industrial property owners will receive the same services, at the low rate of \$19.20 per acre for the first five acres and \$4.80 per acre thereafter.
- Reduced rates apply for undeveloped and certain other lower use properties.

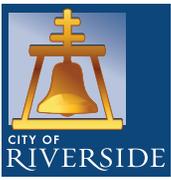
### Why is Vector Control Important?

- Vector control is the protection of public health through the identification, prevention, and control of pests (typically insects and rodents) that transmit infectious diseases.
- According to the CDC, California is 2nd in the country in West Nile Virus cases and deaths – a disease spread by mosquitoes.
- California is also ranked 4th in Hantavirus cases - a disease commonly spread through rodents that has a 36% fatality rate.



### Extermination Costs for Property Owners in Riverside

Current Costs for Service		Northwest	
(Services not provided by City of Riverside)		(Services included as part of assessment)	
Africanized Bees:	\$300 up to \$1,000	Africanized Bees:	\$0
Rats and Rodents:	\$100 up to \$500	Rats and Rodents:	\$0
Flies:	\$100 and up	Flies:	\$0



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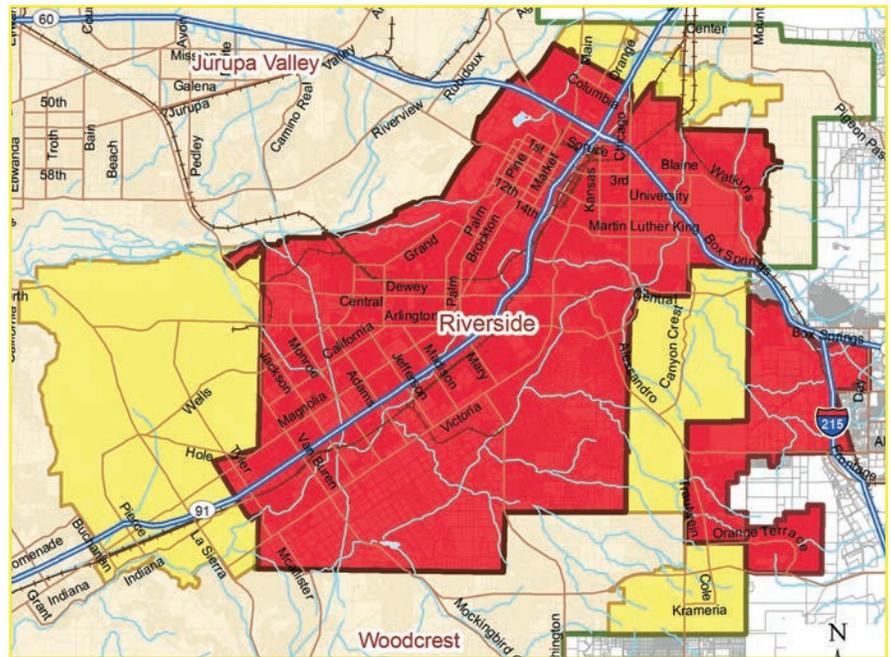
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**Para información en español por favor visite**  
**<http://www.riversideca.gov/pworks/vector-control.asp>**

## Northwest Proposes to Improve Overall Regional Health and Safety

- Northwest currently serves all of the adjacent areas surrounding the City of Riverside including Corona, Norco and parts of Riverside.
- Their proposed expansion will serve all property owners in the City of Riverside, providing a more coordinated, aggressive and efficient approach for the surveillance and control of disease-carrying pests.
- This measure is supported by the City of Riverside and the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce.

 Protected Area     Unprotected Area



**For more information contact: Riverside Public Works Department (951) 826-5341  
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