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West Nile Virus Technical Advisory Committee
May 11, 2016 Meeting Minutes
Parks Conference Room

Members in Attendance: Chet Moore, Darrick Turner, Greg McMaster, Megan Williams, Eric Levine, Liz Pruessner

Staff in Attendance: Dan Weinheimer, Matt Parker, Katie O'Donnell (LC Health Department)

Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Review

- Dan Weinheimer reviewed agenda

April 20th Meeting Minutes Approval

- Minutes were unanimously approved; no changes.

Subgroup 1: Data Presentation Report Out

Priorities

- 1) Improve risk awareness via online data presentation
- 2) Improve web page
- 3) Streamline data archive

Risk map on webpage (Deadline May 15)

- Parker provided image from the test file created in GIS. The previous issues with bringing the vector index data into the correct code have been resolved. We also have requested CSU to provide a trap level vector index as well which can help reduce error.
- The group discussed the GIS based, scalable version and the pdf version.
- .25 .50. 75 seem to be natural breaks when assigning coloration for the map.

Single file for previous years' data (Deadline April 1)

- Parker provided an updated version that summarizes WNV season info while indicating spray dates.
- Booz identified that indicating spray events can be tricky as often they do not encompass an entire zone
- Liz agreed and emphasized the importance for the public to know when and where applications are made

Subgroup 2: Messaging/Target Audiences Report Out

Priorities

- 1) Focus on low-income children
 - 2) Focus on outdoor recreators (runners, etc.)
- Turner reported on upcoming outreach efforts, Jax Camping kickoff
 - Turner and Parker are coordinating trailhead signage, signs are at the sign shop, 2000 single use wipes are in inventory
 - Impact surveys are going out the running groups
 - Turner reported on the planned weeklong outreach at the Larimer County Fair
 - Turner reported that we are planning 1 week at Lagoon, no New West Fest

Discussion of Final Report to Council

- Levine: if we move to every two years, what happens if we have a bad year?
- Weinheimer: At that point there is not much we can do, the question becomes did we experience something within our program that did not work? The off-season work is meant to review the policies and procedures, as long as we are working that plan, then we are doing what we can do. An open house on an annual basis will provide the public with the ability to give input.
- Pruessner: When do you envision presenting an open house?
- Darrick: Probably spring.
- Weinheimer: After the holidays as well. Maybe even in the spring.
- McMaster: If we are not going to get feedback for two years, maybe we could have just one meeting in those non-TAC review years.
- Booz: We could have an appended meeting before or after an open house.
- Weinheimer: There is also always an opportunity for input to staff.
- Pruessner: It will also depend on how the season goes.
- Levine: Are we preparing an outreach effort and not just relying on The Coloradoan depiction of conditions?
- Darrick: As it relates to Zika, all we can do is give the facts.
- Levine: Sending them some information would be best.
- Weinheimer: We will still need to update the Zika information and we will then send it on to council.

Other Business

- Chet: there's a new group of mosquito control companies using poor management techniques
- Booz: American Mosquito Association statement
- Staff will explore posting a link to the AMA's position on mosquito control

Public Comment

- There were no members of the public present.