

working group from the GVRD and a number of municipalities (including Surrey) has been set up to help coordinate communication strategies and liaise on mosquito control approaches.

Contract for Mosquito Control

The City of Surrey, together with a number of adjacent municipalities, will continue with the current contract for mosquito control, increasing the level of control as necessary, should WNV appear this year.

New Funding for Mosquito Control

The Province, through UBCM, recently announced new funding to be provided to municipalities for mosquito control. The City of Surrey was granted \$390,000 to conduct preemptive WNV mosquito control in the City.

CONCLUSION

A coordinated and consistent approach to public communications and municipal activities relating to mosquito control and WNV is a prudent approach. Consequently, staff support the establishment of a regional function for the administration and coordination of mosquito control. The attached by-law is required for the GVRD to complete the steps required to be able to add mosquito control activities as part of their service function.

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