



Interoffice Memorandum

NO ACTION

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AGENDA ITEM

February 4, 2016

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs
-AND-
Board of County Commissioners

THRU: Christopher Hunter, M.D., Ph.D., Director
Health Services Department

FROM: Kelly Deutsch, Acting Manager
Mosquito Control Division
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SUBJECT: Mosquito Control Update
Discussion Agenda – February 16, 2016

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Orange County Mosquito Control and the Florida Department of Health have recognized that the mosquito-borne disease, Zika virus, poses an emerging threat to the residents of Orange County. The mosquitoes that spread this disease are domestic insects frequently found near homes in Central Florida. Zika virus has rapidly spread through Brazil in 2015, and several individuals in the United States have tested positive for this disease after traveling to endemic regions. The key to preventing local transmission of these diseases is control of the mosquito population. There are straight forward measures to accomplish this goal, and community engagement is the key to making it a successful process.

At the February 16, 2016, Board meeting, staff will present information on Mosquito diseases and the control methods available to decrease the likelihood of local transmission.

This presentation is for informational purposes only. No Board action will be requested.

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Cc: George A. Ralls, M.D., Deputy County Administrator