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BUTTE COUNTY, Calif. - A second human West Nile Virus infection in Butte County has been confirmed. The infected person is an adult who suffered from a fever-like illness.

As of Aug. 23, 2019, 45 human West Nile Virus infections have been reported in 11 California counties.

West Nile Virus activity is now widespread throughout Butte County. The Butte County Public Health Department and Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District are urging residents to protect themselves from West Nile Virus by reducing mosquitoes on their property and preventing mosquito bites.

Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District have confirmed that 31 groups of mosquitoes and 12 sentinel chickens have tested positive with West Nile Virus.

The district is urging residents to drain all unneeded standing water and to report any suspected mosquito-breeding sites.

Reports can be made by phone at 530-533-6038 or 530-342-7350.