

# Aerial mosquito breeding site surveillance beginning next week

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Aerial surveillance to locate un-maintained swimming pools and other potential backyard mosquito breeding sites will begin Monday, the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District has announced.

The effort is to limit early populations of mosquitoes, which would blossom into larger numbers of the bug that could spread West Nile virus later in the year.

The Sheriff's Office is again part of the effort, and its helicopter will be used on many of the patrols.

In addition to pools, they will be searching for things such as boats holding water, ponds without circulation, unused tires, un-maintained hot tubs, and other man-made objects that hold water.

Residents are asked inspect their properties for any standing water and do what is necessary to remove it. Other mosquito breeding areas and mosquito problems can be reported by calling 533-6038, 342-7350, or going to [www.BCMVCD.com](http://www.BCMVCD.com).