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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND INDIAN RIVER MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT LIFT MOSQUITO BORNE ILLNESS ADVISORY FOR WEST NILE VIRUS

Indian River County, FL – The Indian River County Health Department and Indian River Mosquito Control District are lifting the Mosquito Borne Illness Advisory for West Nile Virus that has been in effect since September 27, 2012.

While disease carrying mosquitoes are still present, weather conditions are no longer favorable for blood feeding activity minimizing the West Nile Virus transmission risk to residents and visitors.

"Minimal risk of transmission does not mean risk free, so the health department will continue to monitor for mosquito borne diseases and encourage mosquito bite prevention methods," said Cheryl Dunn, Environmental Manager for the Indian River County Health Department.

To help protect against mosquito bites, drain any standing water from around your home or business; cover windows with screening or use air conditioning; cover up with long sleeved shirts and pants; or use insect repellants containing DEET following label instructions.

For more information visit or contact:

- Department of Health's Environmental Public Health website at http://www.doh.state.fl.us/Environment/medicine/arboviral/Prevention.html
- or call Indian River County Health Department at 772-794-7440
- Indian River Mosquito Control District website at http://www.irmosquito.com/ or call 772-562-2393

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