

Report Dead Birds

Stop the spread of West Nile Virus in your community

Birds that died recently can be tested for West Nile Virus (WNV), which helps track the spread of disease around Los Angeles County. You can help stop the spread of West Nile Virus in your community by reporting dead birds.

What types of dead birds should I report?

All birds

Except: pigeons, doves, poultry & ducks



WNV testing performed

Clusters of 3 or more

Sick or dead birds



WNV & additional testing performed

How do I report a dead bird or clusters of sick/dead birds?

Contact Los Angeles County Veterinary Public Health at (213) 288 -7060 or the California WNV Dead Bird Hotline at (877) 968-2473.

How do I collect a dead bird?

The bird must be fresh to be tested for diseases (i.e. dead less than 24 hours). Put the bird in a bag and leave it in an accessible location. Never handle a dead bird with bare hands – use gloves, shovel or cover hands with intact waterproof bag before handling. Wash hands after.

Questions or concerns? Call 2-1-1 or visit ph.lacounty.gov
<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/vet/WNV.htm>
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