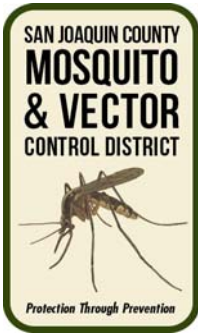


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ANNUAL MOSQUITOFISH GIVEAWAY IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY **June 22 - June 26, 2020**

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(STOCKTON, CA) – San Joaquin County Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) will be distributing mosquitofish free to residents of all cities and surrounding rural areas within San Joaquin County. “Each resident will receive up to 15 fish depending on the size of the area where fish will be placed. The District will provide a fish carry container, informational brochures, and a small bag of fish food,” said Aaron Devencenzi, Public Information Officer with the District.

Mosquitofish facts: 1) Mosquitofish live two to three years. 2) Females give birth to about 50 young every six weeks from spring to fall. 3) They are capable of consuming 100-500 mosquito larvae per day. 4) They require minimal care, just an occasional feeding each week and a little more food in the winter. 5) Ideal places to use mosquitofish to prevent mosquito development are ornamental ponds, animal water troughs, water features, and neglected swimming pools. For more information, go to www.sjmosquito.org.

COVID-19 protocols will be observed. Please wear a mask when picking up mosquitofish and practice social distancing from others at the distribution locations.

Distribution Schedule:

> **June 22, 2020:** City of Lodi from 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM at the Softball Complex parking lot at 401 N. Stockton St.

> **June 23, 2020:** City of Ripon from 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM at the Ripon City Hall parking lot at 259 N. Wilma St.

City of Escalon from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM at the Hogan Park parking lot at 1051 Escalon Ave.

> **June 24, 2020:** City of Stockton from 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM at the Swenson Park Golf Course parking lot at 6803 Alexandria Place

> **June 25, 2020:** City of Manteca from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM at the Manteca Senior Center parking lot, enter at 295 Cherry Ln.

City of Lathrop from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM at Manuel Valverde Park near the Community Center, 15557 Fifth St.

> **June 26, 2020:** City of Tracy from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, In front of the Tracy Community Center at 950 East St.

In addition to the dates provided, mosquitofish are available for delivery by calling the District’s office.