

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## WEST NILE VIRUS

The West Nile virus can cause a serious, even fatal, illness. The virus is almost always spread to people by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected after feeding on birds carrying the virus. The Port of Seattle has responded with a West Nile Virus Action Plan that includes outreach, mosquito monitoring and, if needed, mosquito control.

### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES:

- Avoid wetland and wooded areas at dawn and dusk, when mosquitoes are most active.
- Wear a long sleeved shirt, long pants and a hat when using areas with high mosquito activity.
- Use mosquito repellent containing at least 15% Deet or 7% Picaridin when necessary.

### INFORMATION LINES:

**1-866-78VIRUS  
206-205-3883**

### TO REPORT DEAD BIRDS:

**Call the Seattle and King County  
Public Health Office at:  
(206) 205-4394**

