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Council Department Report
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TC Report August 12, 2026

Utah League of Cities & Towns (ULCT)

ULCT conducted a member survey on fireworks law and implementation. The Legislative Policy Committee (LPC) won't re-convene until August.

Utah's landmark legislation **Senate Bill 284** requires all Utah cities with populations **over 5,000** to permit Detached Accessory Dwelling Units (DADUs) in single-family residential zones. Cities have until October 2026 to update their zoning ordinances to comply with the new code. The legislation sets a baseline for DADU approvals while leaving specific development standards, such as minimum lot size, height, setbacks, and parking, to local municipalities.

- **Lot Requirements:** Municipalities must allow DADUs on qualifying lots that are at least 11,000 square feet.
- **Unit Limits:** Property owners are allowed a maximum of one ADU per lot (either internal or detached), and the unit cannot be sold separately from the primary home.

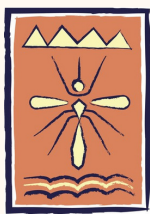
Emergency Management

I participated in Incident Command System training with Town staff and helped initiate and coordinate the training. Jason Bradley, Director of Emergency Management for Washington County, presented the training. A tabletop exercise is planned for September.

SOUTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT & CONTROL DISTRICT

See Attached Newsletter

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JULY 2026

BOARD MEMBER NEWSLETTER

Summer is in full swing, and our crews continue to stay busy monitoring mosquito activity, responding to service requests, and treating breeding sources throughout Washington County. As many residents enjoy vacations, backyard barbecues, camping trips, and evenings outdoors, we're working hard to help keep those activities as mosquito-free as possible. Here are a few highlights from this month.

MOSQUITO SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Here are the trap numbers through July 14, 2026:

Collections (adults):

-Total mosquitoes collected year-to-date- 9452 mosquitoes

-Comparison to last year- 13168 mosquitoes

Testing:

-Total vials tested year-to-date- 256

-Comparison from last year- 253

-Positive West Nile Virus (WNV) pools to date- 2 (trap date: 7/14/2026)

- Comparison to last year- 0

-Positive St. Louis Encephalitis (SLE) pools to date- 0

-Comparison to last year- 0

Service Calls:

-Total service calls to date: 173

-Comparison to last year: 41



BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

We recently finished building a new kitchen area in the shop, giving employees a convenient place to take breaks without having to use the lab kitchen. The new space includes a sink, refrigerator, ice machine, cabinets, and countertop space, making it much more functional for everyday use. It's a simple improvement that helps keep the lab dedicated to lab work while giving staff a comfortable place to prepare meals and enjoy their breaks.



MONSOON SEASON

As we move into monsoon season in Southern Utah, even small amounts of rainfall can create new mosquito breeding sites. Temporary water that collects in yards, irrigation areas, or outdoor containers can become a place for mosquitoes to lay eggs. After a storm, take a few minutes to check around your home and remove any standing water before mosquitoes have a chance to develop.



WELCOME TO THE TEAM

We are excited to welcome Shane Mathis, Christopher Cheney, and Sonny Bounds to Southwest Mosquito Abatement & Control District. They have joined our field operations and Aedes aegypti response teams, helping us increase coverage, monitor mosquito activity, and continue providing timely service throughout Washington County.

We are grateful to have them on board and look forward to the work they will do to support our mission.



BEHIND THE SCENES: AFTER YOU REPORT MOSQUITOES

When we receive a service request, a Mosquito Surveillance Technician will inspect the area to locate mosquito breeding sources. They will begin at the requester's property and, if needed, check surrounding areas until the source is found. Mosquitoes can develop in very small amounts of standing water, such as flower pot bases, forgotten blow-up pools, or neighborhood storm drains.

Once a source is identified, it will be eliminated when possible by removing the standing water or treated with a larvicide to prevent mosquitoes from developing into adults.

Our goal is to respond to service requests the same business day they are received. However, requests submitted later in the day or during periods of high activity may be addressed the following business day.

To report mosquito activity, call our office at 435-627-0076 or submit a request through www.swmosquito.org. Every report helps us identify problem areas and better protect our community.

COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

Our next Board Meeting will be held on August 13, 2026, at 4:00 PM at the District office. Supporting documents for the meeting will be sent approximately one week prior, along with the Google Meet link for those who would like to attend virtually.

As summer continues, we hope you have plenty of opportunities to enjoy the outdoors with family and friends. Please continue to help reduce mosquito populations by eliminating standing water around your home and reporting areas of increased mosquito activity.

Fun Fact: It is said that mosquitoes have been around for more than 100 million years — they survived the dinosaurs, but they still can't survive a good source reduction program!

