

TC Report October 14, 2026

Utah League of Cities & Towns Legislative Policy Committee

During the Sep-21 meeting of LPC these were some of the issues discussed, as they relate to Springdale:

- Land use, annexation, and local control:
 - ULCT is developing positions opposing state actions that would reduce locally elected officials' discretion over municipal boundaries, annexation, planning, service delivery, or development decisions.
- **Impact fees and growth:** ULCT is preparing a resolution supporting impact fees that are proportionate to development impacts and used for eligible system improvements. This supports Springdale's interest in ensuring that new development contributes appropriately to the added demands it creates on transportation, water, sewer, public safety, and other capital facilities, rather than shifting those costs to existing residents and ratepayers.
- **Housing policy:** State discussions continue on lot sizes, pre-approved plans, ADUs/DADUs, permitting timelines, plan review, homeowner associations, and incentives for owner-occupied housing.
- **Water and stormwater:** Water legislation remains active, including possible renewed discussion of retention basins and other stormwater-management practices. Although the prior retention-basin bill did not pass, ULCT expects additional water bills and advisory-group activity.
- **Public records, privacy, and technology:** Municipalities face expanding obligations related to GRAMA, OPMA, data privacy, vendor compliance, AI-assisted records requests, and automated license-plate-reader systems.
- ULCT expects to consider its draft impact-fee and annexation resolutions in October or November.

SOUTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT & CONTROL DISTRICT

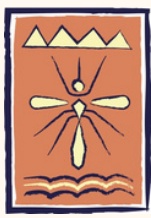
See the attached newsletter

Zion Bike Ambassadors

A meeting is scheduled for Nov-13 for Park Officials and Bike Ambassadors to discuss methods, expectations, and to gather input on signage and messaging throughout the park in order to establish consistency in park goals and messaging regarding bike activity and incidents in the park.

Emergency Management

A tabletop, disaster response exercise is scheduled for Thursday, Oct-15, for Town staff and Administration. This will be a guided discussion of a simulated emergency to practice coordination, clarify roles, and identify gaps in the response plan before a real disaster occurs.



SOUTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT & CONTROL DISTRICT

SEPTEMBER 2026

BOARD MEMBER NEWSLETTER

As summer begins to wind down, mosquito season is still keeping our staff busy. Recent mosquito activity has resulted in a significant increase in service requests and West Nile virus detections this year. Our crews continue to monitor mosquito populations, respond to residents, treat breeding sources, and work throughout Washington County to reduce mosquito activity. Here are a few updates from around the District this month.

MOSQUITO SURVEILLANCE REPORT

Here are the trap numbers through September 11, 2026:

Collections (adults):

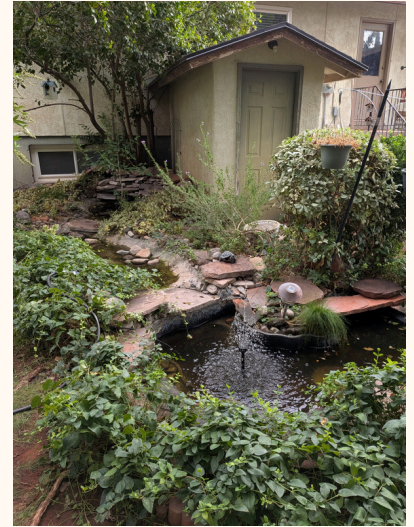
- Total mosquitoes collected year-to-date- 21515 mosquitoes
- Comparison to last year- 24352mosquitoes

Testing:

- Total vials tested year-to-date- 506
- Comparison from last year- 358
- Positive WNV/SLE pools to date- 49 (first WNV+ was 7/14/26)
- Comparison to last year- 0 (first WNV+ was 9/16/25)

Service Calls:

- Total service calls to date: 410
- Comparison to last year: 123



While the total number of mosquitoes collected remains below last year's numbers, we have seen a significant increase in West Nile virus activity and service requests. Staff continue to closely monitor virus activity and respond to areas experiencing increased mosquito populations.

WELCOME TO THE TEAM

We are excited to welcome Camden Graham, Brandon Denter, Tanner Gentry, and Kyson Maynes to Southwest Mosquito Abatement & Control District!

Although we are nearing the end of mosquito season, we recently had several employees leave to return to school or pursue other job opportunities. With mosquito activity and service requests remaining high, we needed to bring on additional staff to help us finish out the season.

Camden, Brandon, Tanner, and Kyson will help support our surveillance, treatment, and response efforts through the remainder of the season. We are happy to have them on board and appreciate their willingness to jump in and help during such a busy time!



CONFERENCE & MEETING UPDATES

Sean recently met with the Iron County Commissioners to discuss the possibility of establishing a mosquito abatement district in Iron County.

Iron County has received a large number of mosquito-related requests this year, bringing additional attention to the need for organized mosquito surveillance and control services in the area. Sean was able to share information about mosquito abatement operations and how a mosquito district can help provide consistent surveillance, treatment, and public health protection.

We appreciate the opportunity to share our experience and knowledge with our neighbors in Iron County and will be interested to see where those discussions lead.

The Utah Mosquito Abatement Association Annual Conference will be held October 26–28, 2026, in Ogden, Utah.

If any Board members would like to attend, please let me know as soon as possible so we can make the necessary hotel reservations and arrangements.

The administrative staff will also be attending the Utah Association of Special Districts Annual Conference, which will be held November 4–6, 2026, in Layton, Utah.

These conferences are a great opportunity for continuing education, networking, and learning about issues and developments affecting mosquito abatement and special districts throughout Utah.



COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

It has certainly been a busy mosquito season! We appreciate the continued support of our Board as our staff works through increased service requests and the higher level of West Nile virus activity we have experienced this year.

As temperatures begin to cool, mosquito activity will eventually start to slow, but our surveillance and control efforts will continue as long as mosquitoes remain active. We will continue monitoring traps, testing mosquito pools, responding to residents, and treating problem areas throughout the remainder of the season.

Thank you for your continued support of the District and our staff. We appreciate all you do to help us serve and protect the communities of Washington County.

Just a reminder, our next Board meeting is November 12, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. at our District office. You will be able to join us in person or online through Google Meet. We should have a lot to catch up on then along with reviewing our preliminary budget. As always, thank you for your service to the Board.

