

General Manager Report on District Activities
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 12, 2009

1. Dental and Vision coverage through Delta Dental and VSP respectively have been implemented. Employees at the District now enjoy these benefits.
2. I met with several telephone repair representatives who stated that the problem with the in-house phone system should be rectified by purchasing a new uninterruptable power supply (UPS) unit. I can purchase one that will be sufficient for under \$300 from Staples.
3. David, Larry and I met with Supervisor Janet Wolf, her Executive Field Representative and representatives from Supervisor Doreen Farr's office to discuss the two open County seats on the Board. We were well received and all representatives thanked us for our time and information.
4. Staff viewed another set of CEU videos during rainy days over the last few weeks. Only a few more hours of video are required for the majority of staff to be current on their CEU training schedule.
5. I attended the Southern Region Vector Control meeting in Garden Grove on January 14th. Mitch Weinbaum from Compton Creek MAD was elected Southern Region Representative for the MVCAC and Ken Bayless from Greater Los Angeles VCD was elected as the alternate. Henry Morgan was re-elected as the Trustee representative for MVCAC. A Regional West Nile Virus Symposium was established for February 10th at 9 AM to discuss lessons learned from last seasons WNV efforts by all Southern Region agencies. Discussions regarding the Federal 6th Circuit Court of Appeals opinion vacating the EPA ruling that pesticide applications are exempt from the Clean Water Act were heard. The California Department of Public Health indicated that tick relapsing fever was discovered in LA County last season and that overall 2008 was a much worse year for WNV statewide than 2007.
6. I have begun communications with other vector districts under the prevue of our Regional Water Board to collaborate on a joint submission of information necessary to procure a NPDES permit. One joint application can be submitted with a Best Managed Practices (BMP) statement individually tailored by each District to reflect their individual operations.
7. A press release regarding the District's work in the Tea Fire area was released on January 23rd. A story for KCOY and KKFX was filmed on January 30th and aired February 2nd.