

Waterworks Operator Training Newsletter

November 2016

Good morning! Attached is the November 2016 Operator Training Newsletter for all MSDH-BPWS Regions and following this message are the trainings for your particular region. If you have questions about the counties in your MSDH region, please see the map on the second page of the attachment to this e-mail.

Also, remember to please contact the training agency to make sure the training will be held. The information contained in this document was gathered from the MSDH-BPWS Training Calendar, so we have no information about if a particular training may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.

As a follow-up to last month's newsletter, please see the following news release from the Mississippi State Department of Health:

October 17, 2016

JACKSON, Miss. – The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) reports four new human case of West Nile virus (WNV), bringing the 2016 state total to 30. The reported cases are in Adams, Attala, Copiah and Marion counties.

So far this year, human cases of WNV have been reported in Adams, Attala, Calhoun, Chickasaw, Copiah (3), Forrest, Hinds (7), Grenada, Jackson, Lamar (3), Lee, Leflore, Lincoln, Lowndes, Marion (3), Perry and Rankin (2) counties. There has been one WNV death reported in a Hinds County resident. The MSDH only reports laboratory-confirmed cases to the public. In 2015, Mississippi had 38 WNV cases and one death.

Symptoms of WNV infection are often mild and may include fever, headache, nausea, vomiting, a rash, muscle weakness or swollen lymph nodes. In a small number of cases, infection can result in encephalitis or meningitis, which can lead to paralysis, coma and possibly death.

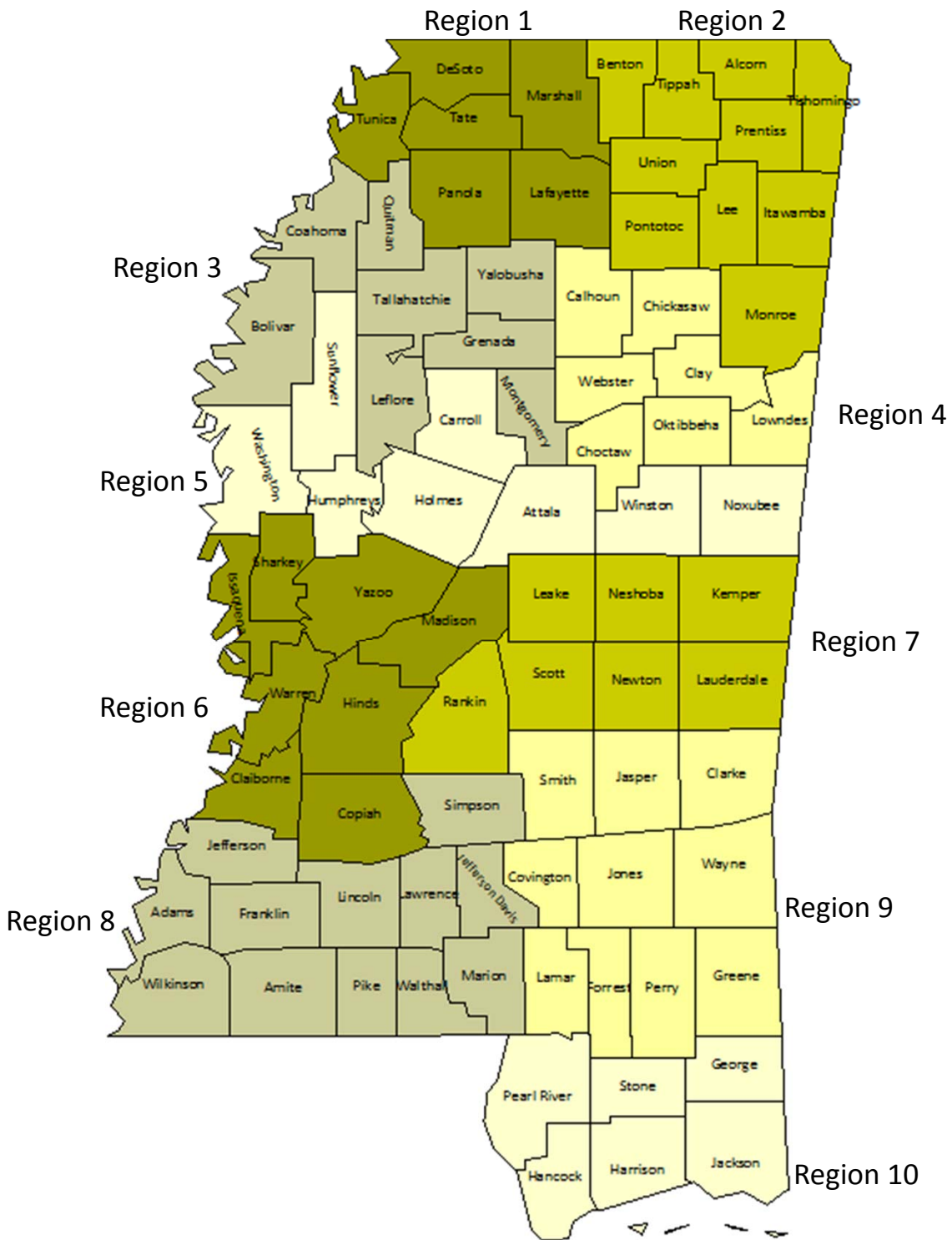
The MSDH suggests the following precautions to protect yourself and your environment from mosquito-borne illnesses:

- Use a mosquito repellent with an EPA-registered ingredient such as DEET while you are outdoors.
- Remove all sources of standing water around your home and yard to prevent mosquito breeding.
- Wear loose, light-colored, long clothing to cover the arms and legs when outdoors.
- Avoid areas where mosquitoes are prevalent.

For more information on mosquito-borne illnesses, visit the MSDH website at HealthyMS.com/westnile and HealthyMS.com/zika.

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MSDH-BPWS Region Map



**MSDH Region 1 includes the counties of:
Desoto, Lafayette, Marshall, Panola, Tate and Tunica**

Wednesday – Friday, November 2 – 4

ACTS NOW Training

Contact Person: Kerry Brown at 501-548-6363
Location: Gold Strike Casino Resort, Tunica (Tunica County)

Wednesday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Training Topics:

- Utility Training Workshop

Total Number of Training Hours: 7 with 1 Regulatory

Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 4:15 PM

Training Topics:

- OSHA Workshop

Total Number of Training Hours: 6 with 1 Regulatory

Thursday and Friday: 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Training Topics:

- MS811 Services
- Damage Prevention
- OSHA Update

Total Number of Training Hours: 10 with 2 Regulatory

Wednesday, November 9

U.S. EPA Water Security Division Online Webinar

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Contact Person: Anna Epstein at 617-673-7189

Training Location: Online

Training Topics:

- Water Security
- Hazard Mitigation for Natural Disasters

Total Training Hours: 1 with .5 Regulatory. Email EPA WSD at WSD-Outreach@epa.gov with questions.

Monday - Friday, November 14 - 19

Backflow Control Certification/Recertification

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Contact Person: Roger Crane at 662-333-9007

Training Location: Bethlehem Fire Department, Potts Creek, Ms (Marshall County)

Training Topics:

- Hazard of Backflow
- Fundamentals of Backflow
- Methods & Mechanisms for Preventing Backflow
- Testing & Maintenance
- Developing a Backflow Prevention Program
- RP Teat Procedures
- Double Check Test Procedures
- PVB Hands-On Practice

Note: The Backflow Certification and Recertification examinations will be given Friday, November 18, 2016, beginning at 8:00

**MSDH Region 2 contains the counties of:
Alcorn, Benton, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe, Prentiss, Pontotoc, Tippah,
Tishomingo and Union**

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Training Topics:

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**MSDH Region 3 contains the counties of:
Bolivar, Coahoma, Grenada, Leflore, Montgomery, Quitman, Tallahatchie, and
Yalobusha**

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Training Location: Online

Training Topics:

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Total Training Hours: 1 with .5 Regulatory. Email EPA WSD at WSD-Outreach@epa.gov with questions.

Wednesday, November 16

MsRWA Training

8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact Person: Robby Mayfield at 601-857-2433

Training Location: Coahoma Community College, 3240 Friars Point Road, Clarksdale, Ms (Coahoma County)

Training Topics:

- Revised Total Coliform Rule
- MSDH Regulatory Update
- Cross Connection Control & Back-Flow Prevention

Total Training Hours: 6 with 3 Regulatory

**MSDH Region 4 contains the counties of:
Calhoun, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Clay, Lowndes, Oktibbeha and Webster**

Thursday, November 3

MsRWA HOOT Training

8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact Person: Randy Turnage at 601-857-2433

Training Location: Caledonia Water & Sewer Department, 202 South St. Caledonia, Ms (Lowndes County)

Training Topics:

- Health Department Updates
- Hands-on Line Pigging

Total Training Hours: 6 with 1 Regulatory

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**MSDH Region 5 contains the counties of:
Attala, Carroll, Holmes, Humphreys, Noxubee, Sunflower, Washington and
Winston**

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Tuesday, November 15

MS811 Training

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Contact Person: Henry K Greer at 601-942-2106

Training Location: Atmos Energy Office, 8 HWY 19 Bypass, Kosciusko (Attala County)

Training Topics:

- MS Dig Law

Total Training Hours: 2 with 1 Regulatory

**MSDH Region 6 contains the counties of:
Copiah, Claiborne, Hinds, Issaquena, Madison, Sharkey, Warren and Yazoo**

Wednesday, November 2

MsRWA Board Member Management Training

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Contact Person: Monica Adcock 601-857-2433

Location: Ms Rural Water Association, 5400 North Midway Road, Raymond, Ms (Hinds County)

Training Topics:

- Regulations
- Customer Service
- Management and Finance
- Emergency Preparedness

Total Training Hours: 8 with 2 Regulatory

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12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

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Training Location: Online

Training Topics:

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Total Training Hours: 1 with .5 Regulatory. Email EPA WSD at WSD-Outreach@epa.gov with questions.

Wednesday, November 16

MS811 Training

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Contact Person: Henry Greer at 601-942-2106

Training Location: Public Service Commission Office, Mound Street, Yazoo City (Yazoo County)

Training Topics:

- MS Dig Law

Total Training Hours: 2 with 1 Regulatory

Thursday, November 17

MsRWA HOOT Training

8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact Person: Robby Mayfield at 662-857-2433

Training Location: Public Service Commission of Yazoo City, 210 South Mound Street, Yazoo City, Ms (Yazoo County)

Training Topics:

- Bacteriological Sampling
- Cross Connection Control

Total Training Hours: 6 with 3 Regulatory

**MSDH Region 7 contains the counties of:
Kemper, Lauderdale, Leake, Neshoba, Newton, Rankin and Scott**

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Training Location: Online

Training Topics:

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**MSDH Region 8 contains the counties of:
Adams, Amite, Franklin, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Lincoln, Marion, Pike,
Simpson, Walthall, Wilkinson**

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Training Topics:

- Water Security
- Hazard Mitigation for Natural Disasters

Total Training Hours: 1 with .5 Regulatory. Email EPA WSD at WSD-Outreach@epa.gov with questions.

Thursday, November 17

MS811 Training

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Contact Person: Henry Greer at 601-942-2106

Training Location: Atmos Energy Office, 8 Andrew Drive, Natchez (Adams County)

Training Topics:

- MS Dig Law

Total Number of Hours: 2 with 1 Regulatory

**MSDH Region 9 contains the counties of:
Clarke, Covington, Forrest, Greene, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, Perry, Smith and
Wayne**

Wednesday, November 9

MsRWA Training

7:45 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact Person: Robby Mayfield at 601-857-2433

Training Location: City of Ellisville, George V. Harrison Multi-Purpose Center, 206 Church Street,
Ellisville (Jones County)

Training Topics:

- Key Management Areas
- Determining Utility Rates

Total Training Hours: 6 with 0 Regulatory

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Training Topics:

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**MSDH Region 10 contains the counties of:
George, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River and Stone**

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- Water Security
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Total Training Hours: 1 with .5 Regulatory. Email EPA WSD at WSD-Outreach@epa.gov with questions.

Thursday, November 10

MsRWA Training

7:45 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact Person: Robby Mayfield at 601-857-2433

Training Location: City of Bay St. Louis Community Center, 301 Blaze Avenue, Bay St. Louis (Hancock County)

Training Topics:

- Key Management Area
- Determining Utility Rates

Total Training Hours: 6 with 0 Regulatory
