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HEADLINE:

**Mosquito & Vector Control Services Now Available to
Altadena & Kinneloa Residents**

BODY:

Beginning July 1, 2002, the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District will begin providing services to the unincorporated communities of Altadena and Kinneloa. Currently, the District serves 23 cities and most unincorporated areas in the San Gabriel Valley.

In 2000, Supervisor Michael Antonovich and the Altadena Town Council successfully petitioned the Local Agency Formation Committee (LAFCO) to begin annexation proceedings of Altadena and Kinneloa into the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District. In the Fall of 2001, Altadena and Kinneloa Residents overwhelmingly approved the ballot measure finalizing the annexation process.

Steve West, District Manager of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control states, "We are looking forward to beginning service in the Altadena and Kinneloa areas July 1st. With the communities' approval, we can now respond to their requests for assistance and provide a safer public health environment."

Beginning next month, residents can call the District directly and request services for mosquito problems, honey bee removal, rat control, midge and black fly problems, or to request educational outreach programs for classrooms or community organizations.

We encourage the residents of Altadena and Kinneloa to become familiar with the services the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District now provides. Call us, or stop by the District for a tour and learn more about the vectors of concern in the San Gabriel Valley. The District has free mosquito fish available to stock ornamental ponds, fountains, water barrels, or water troughs. Informational brochures will be available for your benefit at the Library, Sheriffs Station, and the Chamber of Commerce.

We are located at **1145 N. Azusa Canyon Road, West Covina, CA 91790**. You can call **(626) 814-9466** or email the District at district@sgvmosquito.org.