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This is a video link about one mans battle with encephalitis due to a mosquito bite back in early August 2009. As the video describes, he was hospitalized in excess of 100 days, in a coma, and just now learning to walk again. The video is around 30 minutes. (sorry for it's length)

This forward is generated because of a green letter we received from Benton County Mosquito Control District, a couple of weeks ago, saying that you would no longer spray for adult mosquitoes in our area because we are near water. We can get upward of 10 mosquito bites in one evening, multiply that with a family containing an average of 4 members, and family picnic's which would include upward of 20 people present, outdoors.

This is very disturbing to me, since the "mother load" of larvae was found in an irrigation ditch several yards north of us. Once the larvae and adult mosquitoes were under control---things greatly improved with the mosquito infestation, and bites. Only a slight mist of spray would get in the water run off anyway.

You can rest assured that this green letter will be kept in an important place. Mosquito carrying encephalitis is a life threatening disease, along with West Niles, and other diseases carried by mosquito. We are not a suing prone people, but if we are affected in any way by mosquito bite illnesses, because of the large mosquito population in our neighborhood, and lack of action taken by the Benton County Mosquito Control District and Washington State Department of Ecology, action will be taken quickly, against these departments regarding this ill fitting decision or ruling.

We urge you to alter the permit to read: THE PERMITTEE IS AUTHORIZED TO DISCHARGE INCIDENTAL AMOUNTS OF ADULTICIDES AND THEIR RESIDUES TO WATERS OF THE STATE FOR NUISANCE AND VECTOR MOSQUITO CONTROL. Thank you for your attention and alterations to this "uncommon sense" ruling.

Thank you, Susan & Steve McDonald

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### **Don Wildmon: My battle with a mosquito**

Dear S & S

In August of 2009, a single mosquito bite led me on a remarkable journey that I continue today.

For the past seven months, I have felt the prayers of tens of thousands from friends, and AFA supporters, as I recover from encephalitis.

I invite you to take a few moments and watch this video, in my own words, of the events that followed my battle with a single mosquito.

[Click Here to watch the video.](#)

Sincerely,

Don Wildmon, Founder  
American Family Association

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