

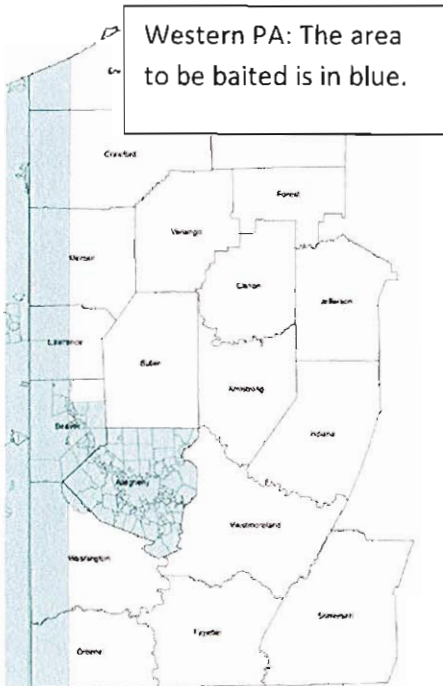
# ORAL RABIES VACCINATION AREA

## NOTICE

Cooperating Federal, State, and county agencies are conducting an oral raccoon rabies baiting project in western Pennsylvania. A vaccine packet is coated or placed inside a fishmeal block, which is very tasty to raccoons. The baits are dropped from low-flying airplanes or helicopters, or by local teams on foot or in vehicles. The vaccine can NOT cause rabies.

This year's operation will run:

**August – September 2018**



Western PA: The area to be baited is in blue.

### What if I find rabies baits?

Baits should be left alone – but intact baits can be moved if they are found where children and pets play. Damaged baits should be bagged and disposed in the trash.

- Wear gloves or use a plastic bag when picking up the baits.
- Toss intact baits into a fencerow, woodlot, ditch, or other raccoon habitat areas.
- Wash your hands after any skin contact with a bait.

### What if my pet eats a bait?

- A few baits are not harmful, although eating a lot may cause vomiting or diarrhea.
- Do not risk getting bitten by taking a bait away from your pet.
- Confine your pet for a couple of days, and check the area for more baits.
- If your pet eats a bait, avoid your pet's saliva for 24 hours, and wash skin or wounds that may have been licked.

### For information about the oral rabies baiting program, contact:

USDA Wildlife Services: 1-866-487-3297

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture: 1-717-783-9550

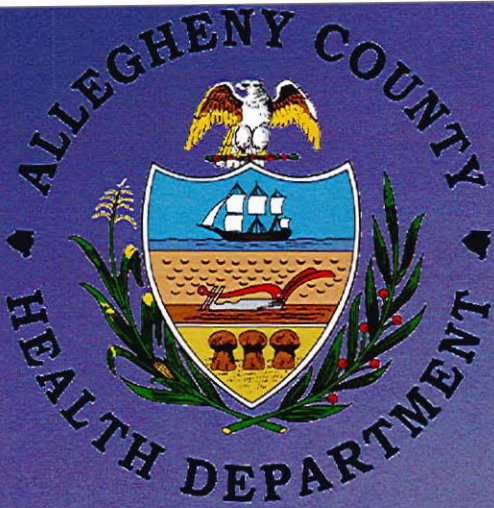
Pennsylvania Department of Health Information Line: 1-877-PA Health

Erie County Department of Health: 1-814-451-6700

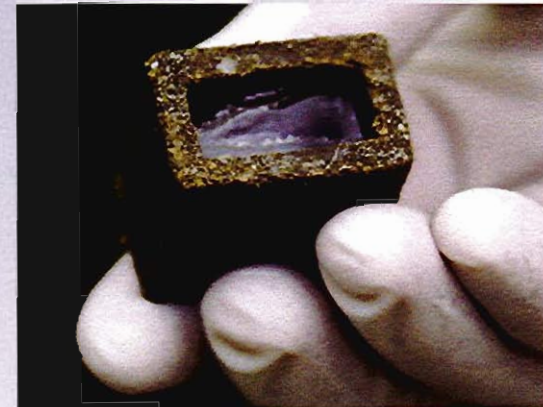
Allegheny County Department of Health: 1-412-350-4046

**For information concerning accidental contact with baits, call 1-877-722-6725.**

# Attention Dog Owners: Please make sure that your dog is on a leash!



- **August 3-17, 2018** rabies vaccine baits are being distributed across Allegheny County, especially in parks.
- Although these baits will not harm your dog, if they eat too many they can get an upset stomach and/or diarrhea.
- Please avoid contact with these baits.
- Use a latex glove or plastic bag if the baits must be moved.



More information about the baits and the project can be found here: <http://www.achd.net/raccoon/>  
If you have any questions or concerns about the baits or vaccine, please call 1(800)-722-6725. If you have questions about the baiting process, please call (412)-350-4046. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.