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TO: Washington State Board of Health Members
FROM: Keith Grellner, Chair
SUBJECT: BRIEFING – TICK SURVEILLANCE PROJECT

Background and Summary:

Over the last several years, Department of Health has been involved with some interesting work to help better understand the distribution and public health impact of tick populations in Washington State. This work is focused on ticks as a vector for Lyme disease.

Today, Lauren Jenks with the Office of Environmental Public Health Sciences and Hanna Oltean with the Office of Communicable Epidemiology at Department of Health will describe the department's Tick Surveillance Project, provide general information about Lyme disease, and share epidemiological data from national and local sources.

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