



NEWS RELEASE Mobile County Health Department

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Mobile County Health Department offering mosquito minnows

The Mobile County Health Department will be offering free minnows (*Gambusia affinis*) to area residents to limit the need for possible chemical applications for control of mosquitoes. These native, top-feeding minnows are typically found in local ponds, lakes and streams. They can be effective in controlling mosquito larvae in small artificial environments such as ornamental pools, fountains, water features, koi ponds, animal watering troughs, and unused or untreated swimming pools.

The minnows will be available from 2:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, at the Health Department's Vector Control compound located at 750 Congress St. while supplies last. Anyone wanting minnows will need to provide their own container for transportation of the minnows. Fish will not be available for stocking large ponds or lakes. For more information on the mosquito fish program, or mosquito control, call 690-8124.

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