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Rabid Fox Found in Green Oak Township

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The Livingston County Department of Public Health (LCDPH) today received a report of a rabid fox found in Green Oak Township. The fox was discovered acting strangely Wednesday afternoon in an area just east of US-23 on the north end of Whitmore Lake. Any persons who may have been potentially exposed to this fox within the last two weeks are asked to contact the Livingston County Department of Public Health at (517) 552-6882.

Rabies is a virtually 100% fatal disease in humans, but wild animals such as fox can carry the rabies virus for an unknown period of time before finally succumbing to this disease. Persons who may have been exposed to rabies should receive post-exposure preventative treatment, including Rabies Immune Globulin (RIG) and a series of rabies vaccines.

Pets that may have been exposed to this rabid fox or any other potentially infected animal also need to get rabies vaccine.

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