

Flesh-eating screwworm enters the US

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The New World Screwworm has been confirmed in the United States as of June 3.

Veterinarians, researchers and animal associations say they are on top of the situation and there is need for accuracy and observation, but no need to panic.

The NWS larvae was positively identified in a three-week-old calf in Zavala County, Texas, about 50 miles north of the Texas/Mexico border.

Authorities have been watching the northward progression of the NWS since at least 2023 when new infestations were found near Panama.

The NWS lays eggs in injuries of warm blooded mammals. The larvae eat the flesh of living animals causing massive destruction and death if not caught and treated.

Sonja Swigger, a researcher with Texas Ag-Life, said preparations are ready and the USDA is preparing to release sterile flies as a way of controlling the growing infestation.

“The sterile flies cannot just be broadcast, but will be released appropriately when infestations are verified,” she said.

Release of the sterile flies will prevent a reestablishment of NWS flies.

She said there are three facilities either already producing sterile flies or will be up and running by the end of the summer.

“The one in Panama has been operational for decades. Mexican officials are repurposing a facility and the new facility in Edinburg, Texas is in its infancy,” she said.

NWS flies lay eggs in an open injury as small as a tick bite. As they hatch, the larvae eat ever-widening holes in the

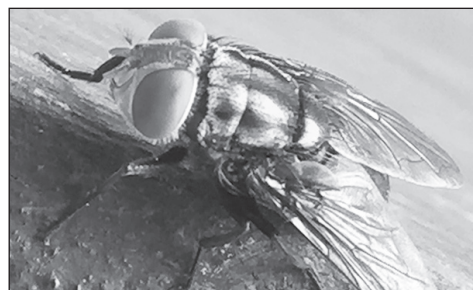


Photo provided
The New World Screwworm with large red eyes and slightly larger than a housefly has now entered the U.S.

flesh of the host animal. From fly to larvae takes 21 days, but depending on where the eggs enter into the animal’s system can kill the animal within a week or less.

Swigger said now is the time for animal producers and managers to watch their animals closely and inspect any animal exhibiting wounds and report it to the authorities.

“A lot of people don’t want to report an incidence, but that is the only way we will know where to release the sterile flies,” she said.

“Right now they are not affecting large herds and this is what we want to prevent,” she said. “Inspection of a suspect animal by a qualified veterinarian is imperative.”

Should an animal be found with NWS larvae the facility where it is located will be under a 72 hour quarantine where animal movement is restricted.

Qualified veterinarians will have access to medicine to kill the larvae and treat the individual animals, but it will be exclusive to the infestation zone.

Public Notice

June 1, 2026
Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting
Agenda was posted May 28, 2026, 8:30 AM at the door of the Courthouse Annex and exit doors of the Courthouse.

Present: Commissioners David Magee, Mike Mayes and Stacy Rushing; Minutes by County Clerk Shelly Russell; Sheriff Andy Cumberledge, Bryan Reick, Chad McMillan, Darrell Holland, Trent Barrick, Dianna Dandridge-Rystrom, Missy Tunnell, Carol Wolfe.

Called to order by Chairman Mike Mayes.

Quorum Call. Present Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Board approved the Application for Certificate of Authority to Establish a Private Cemetery – Stevens Trust. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Board approved the disbursements of June’s Appropriations of cash funds and sales tax collected in May. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

SALES TAX: 1301 Use Tax – General \$, LCJA \$; 1304 EMS \$9264.87; 1308 Extension \$9264.87; 1311 General \$92,648.78, Treasurer \$9264.87; Court Clerk \$9264.87, Assessor \$9264.87; 1314 Hospital \$185,297.48; 1319 Sheriff \$9264.87; 1321 Rural Fire \$20,529.75; 1322 Sr Cit \$9264.87; 1331 Jail Debt \$92,648.74; 1333 County Clerk \$9264.87.

CASH FUNDS – 1102 Highway \$268,759.82; 1103 CBRI \$26,553.83; 1201 911 Phone \$20,079.40; 1204 Assessor Rev Fee \$437.00; 1208 Co Clerk Lien Fee \$1590.19; 1209 Co Clerk RM&P \$2635.35; 1223 SH Commissary \$16,703.56; 1226 SH Srv Fee \$20,823.15; 1230 Treasurer Mtg Cert \$340.00; 1232 SH Drug Buy \$18,900.00; 1251 Opioid Abatement \$275.54; 7210 Court Clerk Preservation \$518.75.

DONATIONS – LCHC – Wilkin’s \$658.17; SH Chickasaw \$1000.00

Treasurer and Assessor’s May Officer’s Monthly Reports were approved. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Alcoholic Beverage Tax Collections for May were approved. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Minutes and proceedings of May 26, 2026, Board of County Commissioners meeting were approved. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Board approved Resolution #2026-24A for Adopting of Equipment for Assessor’s Office: Heat and Air Unit H-261-1, junked with vendor of new unit. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Board adopted Resolution #2026-27 Declaration of Surplus for OSU Extension Office: Circuit Expressions Z Model CREX002; SN: J2002141068, acquired 6-21-2014, \$299.99. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Board adopted Resolution #2026-27A for Disposing of Surplus for OSU Extension Office: Circuit Expressions Z Model CREX002; SN: J2002141068, junked at Marietta Sanitization Collection Site, 408 West Chickasaw, Marietta, OK. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Advertisement to bid on county owned property acquired through Resale: property described as Phase 2 Unit 10 Block 2 Lot 29, Falconhead, Love County, Oklahoma. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

FY 2026-2027 Requisitioning/Receiving Officers effective 7-1-2026: OSU Extension, Fair Board, Community Center. VFD: Enville. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Board approved to award Bid #2026-2, 12-Month Road and Bridge Materials for Districts 1-2-3, as follows.

Corrugated Steel Pipe (Spiral) Delivered Price

J&I, Madill – 12” 16 gauge \$15.62; 18” 16 gauge \$22.30; 24” 16 gauge \$28.70; 36” 16 gauge \$44.00; 48” 16 gauge \$69.00; 60” 16 gauge \$92.00; 72” 16 gauge \$112.00.

Dub Ross, OKC – 12” 16 gauge \$12.99 - 14 gauge \$15.00; 18” 16 gauge \$19.47 - 14 gauge \$24.12; 24” 16 gauge \$25.85 - 14 gauge \$31.30; 36” 16 gauge \$38.99 - 14 gauge \$48.00; 48” 16 gauge \$60.96 - 14 gauge \$74.40; 60” 16 gauge \$75.88 - 14 gauge \$91.80; 72” 16 gauge \$90.83 - 14 gauge \$110.97.

Wilson Culverts, Elkhart, TX - 12” 16 gauge \$13.09 - 14 gauge \$15.75; 18” 16 gauge \$19.50 - 14 gauge \$23.59; 24” 16 gauge \$25.99 - 14 gauge \$31.20; 36” 16 gauge \$39.38 - 14 gauge \$46.88; 48” 16 gauge \$62.55 - 14 gauge \$74.66; 60” 16 gauge \$77.29 - 14 gauge \$91.99; 72” 16 gauge \$92.70 - 14 gauge \$111.19.

Awarded to **Dub Ross** as to lowest bid received for District 1-2-3 and **J&I** for location and availability for District 1-2-3. Motion Magee, second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Corrugated Steel Pipe (Riveted) Delivered Price

Dub Ross, OKC – 12” 16 gauge \$25.63 - 14 gauge \$32.08; 18” 16 gauge \$38.31 - 14 gauge \$48.13; 24” 16 gauge \$51.27 - 14 gauge \$64.17.

Awarded to **Dub Ross** as to only bid received for District 1-2-3. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Core & Main, Owasso – 12” \$10.40; 12” Coupler \$10.40; 15” \$14.90; 15” Coupler \$14.90; 18” \$20.15; 18” Coupler \$20.15; 21” N/B; 21” Coupler N/B; 24” \$30.50; 24” Coupler \$30.50; 30” \$46.50; 30” Coupler \$46.50; 36” \$60.80; 36” Coupler \$121.60; 42” \$75.75; 42” Coupler \$151.50; 48” \$103.00; 48” Coupler \$206.00; 60” \$141.00; 60” Coupler \$282.00.

Rail Road Yard, Stillwater – 12” \$10.61; 12” Coupler \$10.61; 15” \$15.20; 15” Coupler \$15.20; 18” \$20.53; 18” Coupler \$20.53; 21” N/B; 21” Coupler N/B; 24” \$31.08; 24” Coupler \$31.08; 30” \$47.39; 30” Coupler \$47.39; 36” \$61.97; 36” Coupler \$123.94; 42” \$77.19; 42” Coupler \$154.37; 48” \$106.03; 48” Coupler \$212.06; 60” \$145.66; 60” Coupler \$291.31.

Dub Ross, OKC – 12” \$10.50; 12” Coupler \$10.50; 15” \$15.20; 15” Coupler \$15.20; 18” \$20.50; 18” Coupler \$20.50; 21” N/B; 21” Coupler N/B; 24” \$31.00; 24” Coupler \$31.00; 30” \$47.39; 30” Coupler \$47.39; 36” \$61.91; 36” Coupler \$123.82; 42” \$76.82; 42” Coupler \$153.64; 48” \$105.00; 48” Coupler \$210.00; 60” \$144.25; 60” Coupler \$288.50.

J&I, Madill – 12” \$11.79; 18” \$22.80; 24” \$34.60.

Awarded to **Core & Main** as to lowest bid and **Dub Ross-OKC and J & I, Madill** for location and availability for District 1-2-3. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Gravel and Rock/Ton Hotmix screenings: Dolese/Ardmore \$12.45; Dolese/Davis \$12.50; P&K Stone \$9.50

3/8” chips: Dolese/Ardmore \$28.90; Dolese/Davis \$28.90; P&K Stone \$23.00.

5/8” chips: Dolese/Ardmore \$28.70; Dolese/Davis \$28.55; P&K Stone \$23.00.

Awarded to **P&K Stone** for lowest bid and **Dolese/Ardmore and Davis** for location and availability for District 1-2-3.

1” crusher run: JR Thompson/St Jo, TX \$18.00.

Awarded to **JR Thompson/St Jo** as only bid received for District 2.

1 1/2” crusher run: Dolese/Ardmore \$13.65; Dolese/Davis \$12.85; P&K Stone \$11.00. JR Thompson/Kingston \$14.75; ML Dozer/Gainesville, TX \$12.00.

Awarded to **P&K Stone** for low bid and to **Dolese/Ardmore and Davis** for location and availability for District 1-2-3.

2 1/2” crusher run: Dolese/Ardmore \$13.65; Dolese/Davis \$13.10.

Awarded to **Dolese/Ardmore and Davis** for location and availability as needed for District 1-2-3.

3 1/2” crusher run: Dolese/Ardmore \$13.65; Dolese/Davis \$14.10; ML Dozer/Gainesville, TX \$18.00

Awarded to **Dolese/Ardmore** for lowest bid and **Dolese/Davis** for

location and availability for District 1-2-3.

12” select rip rap: Dolese/Ardmore \$37.25; Dolese/Davis \$37.25; P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$25.00; ML Dozer/Gainesville, TX \$30.00.

18” select rip rap: Dolese/Ardmore \$37.25; Dolese/Davis \$37.25; P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$28.00; ML Dozer, Gainesville, TX \$30.00.

Awarded to **P&K Stone** for low bid and to **Dolese/Ardmore and Davis** for location and availability as needed for District 1-2-3.

3” surge: Dolese/Davis \$14.80.

Awarded to **Dolese/Davis** for only bid received.

6” surge 10”: Dolese/Ardmore \$14.35; Dolese/Davis \$14.80; P&K Stone \$25.00.

Awarded to **Dolese/Ardmore** for lowest bid and to **Dolese/Davis** for location and availability as needed for District 1-2-3.

#1 flex base 249 TXDOT Spec: P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$11.50; NTNSM/Kenicif \$12.00.

Awarded to **P&K Stone** as lowest bid for DST 1-2-3.

#2 flex base 1 3/4” minus: P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$11.00.

Awarded to **P&K Stone** as only bid for District 1-2-3.

#3 flex base: No Bid. No Board Action.

Motion Magee, second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Pit Run/Ton Pit Run #1: P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$10.00

Awarded to **P&K Stone** as only bid received for District 1-2-3.

Pit Run #2: NTNSM/Tishomingo \$12.00

Awarded to **NTNSM** as only bid received for District 1-2-3.

Motion Magee, second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Granite Products/Ton Granite Screenings 3/8”: P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$9.50

Granite Crusher Run 1”: No Bid

Granite Crusher Run 1 1/2”: P&K Stone/Mill Creek \$11.00.

Awarded to **P&K Stone** as only bid for District 1-2-3.

Oil/Gallon and Asphalt/Ton Ergon Asphalt/Lawton - CRS-2 \$2.79, CRS-2+ \$2.89, CRS-2S \$3.08, CHFRS-2P \$3.20, CMS-1PC \$3.91, CQS-1F \$2.70, SS-1 \$2.70, AEP Prime Oil \$2.86; SS-1 \$2.66 awarded as to only bid received, low bid, location and availability for District 1-2-3.

Vance/OKC – CRS-2 \$2.90; CRS-2+ \$3.00; CRS-2S \$3.25; SS-1 \$3.00, AEP Prime Oil \$3.25 awarded as lowest bid and location and availability for District 1-2-3.

OMML, Inc./Ardmore - HMHL Type A \$73.00, HMHL Type B \$78.00, HMHL Type C \$82.50, Hi-Performance HM/CL Asphaltic Concrete \$125.00; awarded as to low bid, location and availability for District 1-2-3.

Pavers Inc./Davis – HMHL Type A \$77.93, HMHL Type B \$83.07, HMHL Type C \$88.19, Hi-Performance HM/CL Asphaltic Concrete \$130.38; awarded as to location, quality and availability for District 1-2-3.

Paving Materials/Moore - Hi-Performance HM/CL Asphaltic Concrete \$118.00; awarded as low bid for District 1-2-3.

PMSO/Moore - HMHL Type A \$70.75; HMHL Type B \$76.15; HMHL Type C \$79.75; awarded for low bid received for District 1-2-3.

Logan Co./Guthrie – Hi-Performance HM/CL Asphalt

Schiralli Materials/Wilson - HMHL Type A \$72.83; HMHL Type B \$77.27; HMHL Type C \$88.66; awarded for location and availability as needed for District 1-2-3.

Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Approved this 8th day of June 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Mike Mayes
Chairman

/s/ Stacy Rushing
Member

/s/ David Magee
Member

(SEAL)
ATTEST:

/s/ Shelly Russell
Shelly Russell, County Clerk

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Schiralli/Wilson - HMHL Type A \$72.83, HMHL Type B \$77.27, HMHL

Type C \$88.66; awarded as only bid received for District 1-2-3.

Logan Co./Guthrie - Hi-Performance HM/CL Asphalt Concrete \$152.25; awarded as only bid received for District 1-2-3.

Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

In Place Processing of Asphalt At Hourly Rate

Schiralli Construction/Wilson - Mixer with operator & fuel per hour - \$556.00; Compactor furnished with operator & fuel per hour - \$204.00; awarded as to only bid received for District 1-2-3.

Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Lay Asphalt By Ton

Lay asphalt by putting asphalt in place

Schiralli Construction/Wilson - \$22.23; awarded as only bid received for District 1-2-3.

Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Requisition–Purchase Order-Claims presented for payment the week of 5/21 – 5/28, 2026 were approved.

Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

911 Phone #119, AT&T MOBILITY, 47.38, service #120, AMAZON BUSINESS, 193.40, supplies;

Donations #7, MODESTO SIGNS INC, 300.00, signs;

Extension-ST #80, OFFICE DEPOT, 357.56, supplies;

General #1813, QUILL, 649.35, supplies #1814, LEAF, 215.09, service #1815, JASON HILLTOP GROCERY, 51.99, fuel #1816, AMAZON BUSINESS, 265.99, supplies #1817, MARIETTA MONITOR, 309.98, publication #1818, MARIETTA PWA, 37.11, utility #1819, MARIETTA PWA, 271.33, service #1820, MARIETTA PWA, 1623.48, utility #1821, STANDLEY SYSTEMS INC., 5.16, contract #1822, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, 321.50, contract #1823, SERVICE OKLAHOMA, 20.25, tags #1824, MARIETTA PWA, 93.02, service;

General Gov’t-ST #566, STANDLEY SYSTEMS INC., 82.01, service #567, LOWES, 448.85, supplies;

Health #158, MARIETTA PWA, 67.94, service #159, MCKESSON MEDICAL, 58.26, supplies;

Highway #1534, JCAUTO PARTS LLC, 55.59, supplies;

Resale #83, MARIETTA MONITOR, 2803.58, publication;

Rural Fire-ST #405, GALLS INC, 467.40, boots #406, MARTIN PETROLEUM INC., 68.77, fuel #407, AMAZON BUSINESS, 8.86, payment #408, MARIETTA PWA, 65.86, service;

SH Commissary #40, BENCHMARK GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS LLC, 180.00, supplies;

SH Drug Buy #11, ARDMORE ANIMAL HOSPITAL, 614.20, service;

Sheriff-ST #31, AT&T MOBILITY, 1370.13, service;

SH Svc Fee #205, WALKER COMPANIES, 150.50, notary #206, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, 207.50, contract #207, AT&T MOBILITY, 152.24, service;

Use-ST #125, CALDWELL MECHANICAL SERVICES LLC, 520.00, repair #126, SPATIAL DATA RESEARCH, 18500.00, service

Blanket Purchase Orders were approved. Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee, Mayes and Rushing.

Approved this 8th day of June 2026.

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/s/ Stacy Rushing
Member

/s/ David Magee
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Shelly Russell, County Clerk

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Motion Magee Second Rushing. Vote Yes – Magee