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Henrico Police Encounter First Rabies Case of 2024

(Henrico County, Va.) – On Sunday, March 10, 2024, Henrico Police responded to the 2400 block of Nortonia Road in the Three-Chopt district of Henrico County, for the report of a potential rabies exposure involving two dogs and a raccoon.

The raccoon was submitted to the State Lab and tested positive for rabies. Because there was potential contact between the dogs and the raccoon, the dogs will be quarantined on the owner's property. There were no additional animal or human exposures reported. This is the first confirmed rabies case in Henrico County for 2024.

The Henrico Police Animal Protection Unit reminds everyone to keep their pets' rabies vaccinations current to ensure the safety of their pets and our community. Henrico County offers rabies vaccination clinics throughout the year. The <u>next rabies clinic</u> is scheduled for Saturday, May 18th, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at the Henrico County Western Government Center, located on Parham Road. These vaccinations cost \$15.00 and are cash only. Additional rabies clinic dates can be found on the <u>Henrico County Animal Shelter's page</u>.

Please report abnormal wildlife behavior and any possible rabies exposures to Henrico Police by calling (804) 501-5000.

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