

Positive Rabies Alert In North Hall

March 13, 2013

This is to advise that there was contact between a skunk and a dog in the Lawson Road area in north Hall County. The skunk was shipped to the Georgia Public Health Lab- Virology Section in Decatur, where it tested positive for rabies. Hall County Animal Control was advised that the skunk tested positive for the disease Wednesday. This is the second confirmed rabies case of 2013 in Hall County.

Positive alert signs will be posted in the area where the rabid skunk was located. If you live in this area or you see an animal acting abnormally in the area, contact Hall County Animal Services at 770-531-6830 or during non-working hours call Hall County Dispatch at 770-536-8812.

Animal owners are encouraged to vaccinate their domesticated pets for rabies. Vaccines are available at the Hall County Animal Shelter for \$10 Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 1688 Barber Road in Gainesville. A Rabies Clinic has also be scheduled for Saturday, April 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Laurel Park. The cost of a vaccination at the Rabies Clinic is also \$10.