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## **Bat Tested Positive for Rabies**

**WACO, TEXAS (September 21, 2018)** – On September 18, Animal Control Services received a call regarding a bat located on an outside wall in the 600 block of Austin Ave. Animal Control responded and impounded the bat to transport the bat to the shelter for observation. As a precaution the bat was tested for rabies and tests came back positive for rabies. An investigation as to any possible contact by humans or other animals in the area turned up negative. Although there is no indication of human contact, the Waco-McLennan County Public Health District and the D.S.H.S. have been made aware of the finding. This appears to be an isolated case and citizens are reminded to be cautious to not come in contact with bats or other strange animals at any time.

For more information contact Public Information Officer, Luis Leyva at 254-750-7082.

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