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Dog Bite: Health Department Needs Your Help Finding a Dog

Eau Claire, WI, January 16, 2024 – The Eau Claire City-County Health Department is asking for your help to find a dog that bit a man, Sunday, January 14th, 2024, at around 11:45 a.m. The bite occurred near Western Ave. and Marquette St. on the Chippewa River State Trail in Eau Claire, WI.

The person walking behind the dog was described as a male with blonde hair. The dog was described to be a small, black dog with no leash. The animal owner and dog were walking southbound on the Chippewa River State Trail.

We need to find this dog to determine its health and rabies status. If we don't find this dog, it could bite again, and the bite victim may need to have a series of expensive injections to prevent rabies.



If anyone has information about this dog, they should contact the Eau Claire Communications Center at 715-839-4972.

For more information about rabies exposures and what to do if you are bitten by an animal, visit our website: <u>rabies.echealthdepartment.org</u>.

cc: Eau Claire County Communications Center