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Jon Jennings
Mosquito Control/Permit Comments
Washington DoE
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Dear Mr. Jennings:

I have become aware of the proposed changes to the NPDES permits local mosquito control districts may have to comply with.

I oppose the proposed wording because it would essentially restrict our Benton County Mosquito Control District from the most effective spraying near the Yakima river.

Mosquitos can be a severe nuisance in summer and, without effective spraying, can eliminate

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most outdoor activities.

Please reconsider the proposed change and allow each individual mosquito district to spray in the most effective way they deem necessary.

Sincerely
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