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WATER QUALITY PROGRAM

Jon Jennings – Mosquito Control Permit Comments
Washington State Department of Ecology
Water Quality Program
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Dear Mr. Jennings:

In years past I have called our mosquito control district with concerns about adult mosquitoes. They have helped me out by fogging in my neighborhood. I am concerned that The Mosquito Control Permit that is currently being considered will prevent the district from quickly responding to these problems.

I know the district spends a lot of time and money on larva control and I'm sure this helps, but they never seem to get them all. Mosquito control programs must be allowed to control adult mosquitoes as well. I am asking you to reword the permit so that we can continue to have adult mosquito control when needed.

We expect our mosquito control district to respond when we call with a mosquito problem. We pay for this service with tax dollars because we want to enjoy the outdoors during the summer months. Don't write rules that will prevent our district from fogging when we have so many mosquitoes that we need to call for their help.

Sincerely, Sherry Rheume

We live in an area called Willow Grove just west of Longview along the Columbia river. Willow Grove is surrounded by dikes and has drainage ditches and a pump station to keep us from flooding. It is a great place to live for us humans but the mosquitoes live it even better. Without the fogging, we would suffer greatly and be exposed to the disease they carry.

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