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Jon Jennings – Mosquito Control Permit Comments
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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,

Roberta C. Whalen

P.S. Our property is in the country. We have a natural creek that runs through our gully. The sides of the gully up to our barn are steep and dense with under brush and tall grasses.
We personally mow 1½ acres and take pride in providing a well maintained yard for our children and grandchildren to enjoy. The thought of them being severly bitten by mosquitoes, especially the new babies born in Dec 2009 and May 2010 makes me ill. I hate the thought of insects dominating us!

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