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Sirs,

We read a disturbing article in our local newspaper, The Columbia Basin Herald, regarding use of pesticide to control mosquitoes in and around our lake.

We live on the lake and enjoy the fact that there are no mosquitoes! In fact when we moved here we commented on the fact that we could sit outside and enjoy the weather and peace the lake offers without a bite. Our neighbors get together frequently to enjoy food and fellowship outside in the cool of the evening. This would definitely change if spraying were not allowed!

Also, Moses Lake economy depends on the tourism we draw in the summer for lake and sand activities. If spraying is stopped, tourism will slow appreciably. Especially during these economic times when we are just trying to recover, this would be a fatal blow to many.

Therefore we protest limiting mosquito spraying in the draft permit that is supposed to take effect July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Sincerely,



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