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WATER QUALITY PROGRAM

Jon Jennings – Mosquito Control Permit Comments
Washington State Department of Ecology
Water Quality Program
P.O. Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504

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,

Norma Whitaker

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P.S.

I wish to request that our Mosquito Control District extend the comment period on the draft permit and to also hold a public hearing closer to Longview so that people from our area may be able to attend. If you lived in my area I'm sure you would want Mosquito Control to spray nuisance mosquito as well as those that spread disease. It becomes almost unbearable to be outside without this control at certain times of the year.

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Thank you for any assistance in this matter to bring some relief to our area.

Sincerely, Norma Whitaker