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Public Comment Form for:
Ecology Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES Draft General Permit
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Please hand comments to the hearings officer or mail to:
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Comments:

_Mr. Jennings, please know that choosing to eliminate the spraying of adult mosquitos will cause really great distress to our life. We own a mobile home park. This is a senior park and many of us are ALLERGIC to mosquitos. It is really imperative that the spraying of adult mosquitos overhead with the plane AND the fogging of each individual area is continued. This will make it possible for us to sit outside and enjoy the sunshine with friends and family.

Please do not separate the nuisance and vector mosquitos, both need to be controlled. And, please eliminate the use of the term "waters of the state". Also, please change the current language to allow organized mosquito control districts under chapter 17.28RCW to adulticide control vector and nuisance mosquitos as listed in the districts' Integrated Pest Management Plan.

We would appreciate it if you would eliminate the restrictions for Malathion and Nalid from the permit. These have been proven effective when dealing with the mosquitos in our area. We really support our mosquito control district. They have been there for us when we needed them to fog, or spray overhead to help us with this horrible mosquito problem. Excessive mosquitos will impact our health, quality of life, use of our park, recreation and have an economic impact on our community.

We live out here at the Potholes reservoir and are surrounded by seep lakes, Lind coulee, and Frenchman creek. This is desert and the wind blows hard at times. This brings in more mosquitos. It is a horrible problem for us and the mosquito control district has made it bearable for us to carry on our normal lives. I tell you, just trying to carry in the groceries from the car in the Spring is a major problem for us, if the mosquito control district isn't spraying regularly. It isn't until late August or September that they begin to subside because they are busy starting the cycle all over again with the laying of their eggs.

My husband is 80 years old and runs this mobile home park. I am 67 and support him in this endeavor. Please, the spraying and the fogging of these mosquitos is the only way we can have a decent life here. We still have to use mosquito repellent, but not as much. When it was really bad, last year, when the plane was down, we had to spray our bodies, and our clothes and put the spray on our faces and ears to keep the mosquitos from biting us. I really don't want another Spring and Summer like that one.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Drake

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