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I have attached my comments on changes to mosquito control in my district. I don't have access to fax or scanning, and waited too late to mail the form. I re-typed the entire form for my submission. I hope this will be accepted.

M. J. Hyde

**Public Comment Form for:**  
**Ecology Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES Draft General Permit**  
Public comment period ends March 17, 2010 at 5:00PM

Please hand comments to the hearings officer or mail to:  
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**Comments:**

I was horrified to learn of the proposed changes to the present very successful pest management plan in Burbank. Why would you risk even one case of West Nile virus or encephalitis? I had a very dear friend who contracted encephalitis. This led to brain damage , severe personality changes and eventual death. We have the good fortune to live on the banks of the Snake River, but I fear that I will not be able to enjoy the outdoors here if the new permit is imposed on our Mosquito Control District. I am very allergic to mosquito bites to the point of needing medical attention for the swelling. This combined with the fear of contracting a disease will either keep me indoors or require constant use of mosquito repellants. And what about my grandson? Must we slather him with repellants? I feel that this would be more unhealthy than the measures our district has been using. In addition, there is a lot of livestock here, some of it very valuable. Must we wait for one of the race horses down the road to contract West Nile before adequate mosquito measures are taken? Since West Nile has been found in horses already in the Mid-Columbia region it is clear the strongest measures must be taken. Please do not change our present integrated Pest Management Plan!

