From: Joy Lakey
To: Jennings, Jonathan (ECY);
Subject: mosquito control permit comments
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Dear Mr. Jennings,

I am writing to let you know how important it is for us in Cowlitz County to be able to continue having the fogging for adult mosquitoes. I have personally called every year for the last 4 years. I have used several different methods of control in my own back yard, with any and every product available. I have also made sure we did not have any standing water available for their breeding. However, the problem persists until I call our local Mosquito Control. They are usually out within a day or two and come up my alley late at night to fog. Then and only then I find that I am not battling the mosquitoes any longer. I can actually have enjoyable time out in my backyard, doing all the summertime activities, such as cooking outdoors.

I am concerned that I won't be able to have that peace of mind any longer with the Mosquito Control Permit that is currently being considered. Mosquito control programs must be allowed to control the adult mosquito population, this is imperative in addition to the larvae control that is in use at this time. I am imploring you to please look at re-wording the permit so that we can continue to have the county fog for the adult population that is so horribly bad every year.

I have come to depend on this service, and I don't want the alternative which means cutting short outdoor activities to protect myself and my family from being bit up.

I also want to mention that some of my tax dollars are for this service, and I have always been glad to pay for that. Please don't write rules in the permit that will prevent my district from fogging.

Sincerely,

Joy Lakey
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