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I am writing regarding my grave concern over the new regulations of not spraying for mosquitoes(adult) in our area. I am asking that you extend the draft period and have a public hearing closer to Longview area. Cowlitz county has done an excellent job of controlling the mosquito in our West Longview area. We live a mile from the Columbia River in a subdivision , one of Many areas of kids, pets, farmland and elderly (including myself).

While the mosquitoes are a bit of a nuisance, they do pose a health threat!!! Last year the bites my husband & I received were enormous and they became very infected- this is cause for secondary infections not to mention my husband has been severally bitten by these pests. Some parts of the subdivisions are loaded with kids and pets, I can only imagine what will happen to these children as well as the elderly living in the community of . I have lived in the Mid-west with the big difference here is the mosquitoes come in absolute swarms in this area, something I never saw in Chicago or Iowa. It is frightening to think of what a swarm would do to a small child playing innocently outdoors or to a person in their 70's or 80's!! I hope you will consider letting Cowlitz County continue their spraying, they use a low dose and they come out immediately to check the are and investigate the problem BEFORE they do something!! I have personally called them on three occasions and they personally came to my door and took all the information down and checked everything and returned to tell me what they did or didn't find. I believe that they are responsible to the people of Cowlitz County and I hope you take the time to meet with them so you can hear their viewpoints, I found them to be very nice and very caring and explained how and what there approach would be.

Thank You,  
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