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Fogging as a proactive control is necessary in the Burbank, WA area as a means to control the mosquito population. Burbank is bordered by two rivers with numerous back water sloughs and ponds. These areas serve as ideal habitat for mosquito breeding which is unique to the Burbank area compared to other communities. The term "waters of the state" should be eliminated from the proposed permit as written.

The loss of fogging as a proactive control would make outdoor activities, especially during the evening hours, miserable due to the increased mosquito population.

The resulting increase in the mosquito population due to the absence of fogging would lead to more cases of West Nile Virus. This disease has been increasing over the past several years, and the loss of fogging would only further contribute to this problem.

I am strongly opposed to the loss of fogging and feel the decision to use Malathion and Nalid should be a decision left up to our local mosquito control districts. The mosquito control district **serves a vital purpose** in improving our quality of life in Burbank. I believe the benefits of continuing with fogging far outweigh the benefits of not.

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