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Dear Mr. Rockett,

Hello and my name is Kris Mansfield. I would like to comment on the use of imidacloprid to control the native burrowing shrimp in Willapa Bay and Grays Harbor. I am against spraying any pesticide/insecticide on these tide flats and bays. We have no idea what the short or long term consequences will be when these practices are used. I have read that imidacloprid is one of the most toxic insecticides to the Western Honeybee! What are we thinking? These chemicals used only on "commercial shellfish beds" won't just hang out over these beds. These chemicals will travel with the tides and be carried by the wind and wave action. Not only will the honeybees be affected, humans, birds, fish and plants would be affected by these chemicals. Will there be warning signs attached to the shellfish when sold? Toxic shellfish!

Again, I am opposed to using any pesticides, insecticides or herbicides to control the native burrowing shrimp. It does tell a story when we have to discuss the "chemical soup" of Willapa Bay!

Please do not issue any permits for this practice.

Thanks for reading my comments!
Kris Mansfield
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