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Dear Phil Isorena,

Enclosed is Tehama County Mosquito and Vector Control District's (District) addendum to the Pesticide Application Plan (PAP) for the NPDES Vector Control Permit Application for the District. The District's service area and hydrology maps were sent in the original PAP but are included in this addendum. Should you have any question or further inquiries, please don't contact me.

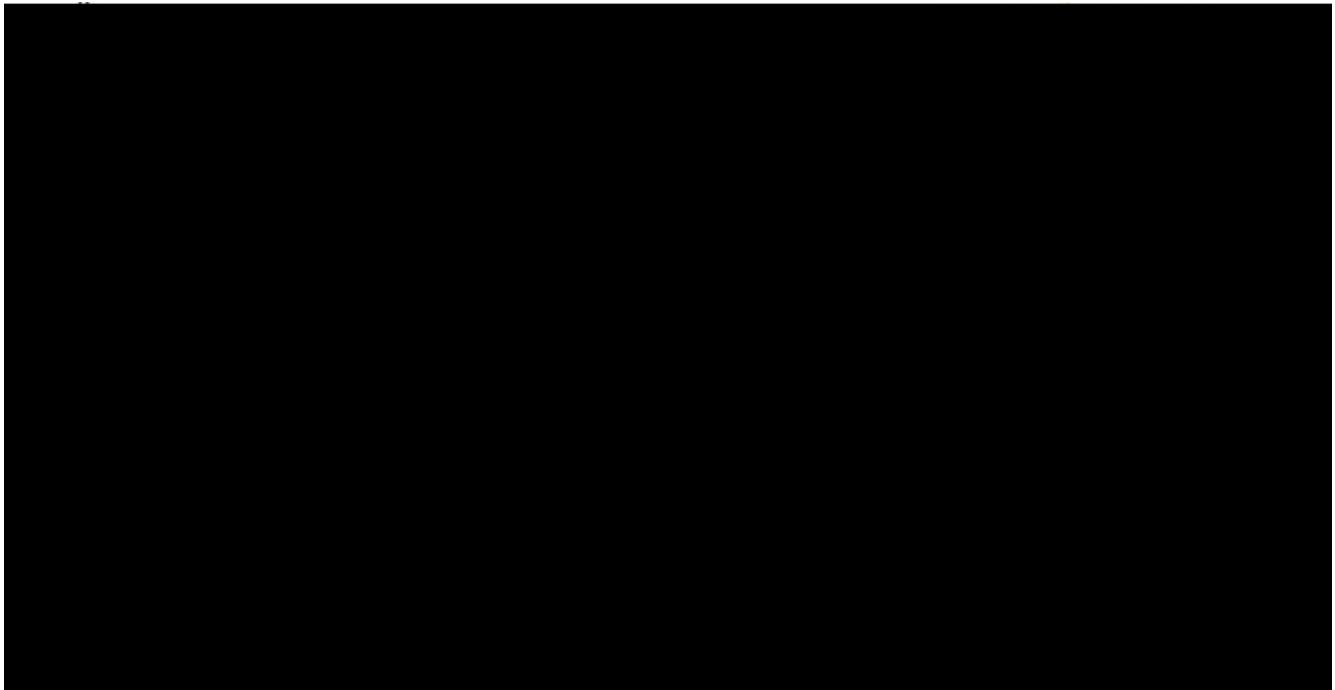
Respectfully,

D. Andrew Cox
District Manager

1. Historical applications to/over/near waters of the U.S. (high water mark of various creeks and streams, adulticide applications over named water body, etc.)

In prior years, the District has applied larvicides directly to or adulticides in the vicinity of the following water bodies and their unnamed tributaries:

Antelope Creek	Kopta slough	Pine Creek
Battle Creek	Little Antelope Creek	Rattlesnake Creek
Black Butte Lake	Little Dry Creek	Red Bank Creek
Blue Tent Creek	Little Grizzly Creek	Reeds Creek
Brickyard Creek	Little Pine Creek	Rice Creek
Brush Creek	Little Salt Creek	Rodeo Creek
Butler Slough	Liza Creek	Sacramento River
Burch Creek	Little Wildcat Creek	Salt Creek
Champlin Slough	McCarty Creek	Samson Slough
Clover Creek	McClure Creek	Sehorn Creek
Cottonwood Creek	Meeker Creek	Sevenmile Creek
Craig Creek	Middle Fork Hall Cr	Singer Creek
Coyote Creek	Middle Fork Brush Cr	Sour Grass Creek
Dibble Creek	Moore Creek	South fork Cottonwood Cr
Ditch Creek	Lake California	South Fork Dibble Creek
Dry Creek	Nevada Creek	South Fork Hall Creek
Corning Canal	New Creek	South Fork Patterson Cr
East Sand Slough	Nine Mile Creek	Spring Branch
Elder Creek	North Fork Dibble Cr	Spring Creek
Deer Creek	Mill Creek	Stony Creek
Delaney Slough	Millrace Creek	Tehama-Colusa Canal
Elmore Creek	Kingsley Creek	Thomes Creek
Flume Creek	Laniger Lakes	Toomes Creek
Frazier Creek	Kendrick Creek	Wildcat Creek
Grizzly Creek	North Fork Dibble Cr	Willow Creek
Hall Creek	North Fork Dye Cr	
Hoag Slough	North Fork Hall Cr	
Hooker Creek	North Fork Mill Cr	
Houghton Creek	North Fork Red Bank Cr	
Inks Creek	Oat Creek	
Jackson Spring Creek	Parker Creek	
Jewett Creek	Patterson Creek	
Campbell Creek	Paynes Creek	
Hog Gulch Creek	Paynes Creek Slough	



TEHAMA COUNTY MVCD BOUNDARY MAP, SERVICE AREA and HYDROLOGY

Map of Tehama County and District

Yellow and **Gray** shaded areas are the District control operation areas

Major Hydrology within County and District control operation areas

2. Specific BMPs that the agency uses and give examples of where they have been implemented in the past instead of directly referencing the State BMP manual.

The Tehama County Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) is aware that adjusting land management practices and installing proper Best Management Practices (BMPs) can reduce mosquito populations thereby reducing mosquito control costs, reducing the amount of pesticide used in mosquito control applications, helping to protect the public's health, and contributing to the District's integrated vector management (IVM) approach to mosquito and vector control.

IVM is an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common-sense practices. The District's IVM program uses current, comprehensive information on the life cycles of pests and their interaction with the environment. This information is used to manage pest nuisance and public health threats by the most economical means, and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment. The District's IVM includes vector surveillance, source reduction and/or elimination, best management practices, public education, biological control, chemical control and monitoring.

The District has used many BMPs throughout its 94 year existence and are a critical component of Districts IVM program. BMPs for mosquito harboring sites (breeding sources) come in all shapes and sizes. Mosquito breeding sources may be as small as bucket or as large as several hundred acres of agricultural used land or managed wetlands.

Examples of BMPs used to manage small mosquito breeding sources is to physically control or eliminate the source (e.g. turning over water buckets, washing out bird baths, unclogging boat drains, turning over flower pots, unclogging rain gutters, using pumps to pump water out of unused/abandoned items such as broken fountains and/or discarded chest freezers, etc.). Another form of physical control the District has

used and/or implemented a program utilizing water absorbing polymers in cemetery vases and utilizing this same product or sand for tree hole filling. For sources that are permanent or cannot be physically controlled, the District will assess if biological control measures will work such as planting mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis*).

For larger mosquito breeding sources, the District works cooperatively with property owners and/or land managers to affect short and long term management strategies. Examples of BMPs used to manage medium to large mosquito breeding areas the District has used; changed irrigation practices of agricultural lands and managed wetlands, water conveyance system improvements, water conveyance system design, managed wetland design and maintenance, agricultural design and maintenance, repairs of water leaks, maintenance of unmaintained swimming pools, maintenance of storm water systems/structures, storm water design, aerators, etc..

The District works with all county and city local governments to assess the best ways to reduce mosquito breeding habitat.

3. Limitations of each agency in utilizing BMPs in their district. (Funding, feasibility, equipment, negotiations with landowners, etc.)

BMPs are not always followed or implemented due to several factors or limitations. Usually the factors and/or limitations are the costs and/or regulations.

Financial constraints on other cooperative public agencies are a significant limitation. Proper maintenance of storm water systems (e.g. pumping/vacuumping clogged storm drains/drain inlets, removal of emergent vegetation from retention/detention ponds, proper maintenance and design of waste water treatment facilities, etc.) is consistently overlooked or underfunded.

The cost of equipment, employee time, treatment materials is a significant limitation. Mitigating large mosquito sources requires a significant investment in equipment and trained personnel for moving soil and vegetation, which is beyond the means of most property owners and this District. Most landowners are relatively cooperative, but they lack the resources for long-term source reduction (e.g., installation of new water conveyances, emergent vegetation control, and re-grading irrigated agricultural land to reduce mosquito habitat). The District is sometimes unable to access known or suspected mosquito sources due to impenetrable vegetation (which the District lacks the resources to remove) or uncooperative residents/property owners (which interfere with the timely inspection/treatment of larval sources). Compliance with permits, monitoring requirements, and paperwork is requiring more employee time, which reduces the number of man-hours available for our employees to inspect mosquito sources and implement non-pesticide alternatives.

Legal restrictions and/or regulations to manipulate land, vegetation, or redesign is a significant limitation. Regulations and State and Federal laws prohibiting the necessary land improvements due to the presence of threatened or endangered species is a large limitation that does not allow for proper BMPs to be implemented. Additionally, cooperative working agreements between State, Federal, and private managed wetlands/rice land is a limitation (e.g. providing incentive programs to increase migratory waterfowl habitat).

Lastly, biological control such as mosquitofish may not be suitable in all mosquito breeding sources due to poor water quality, mosquito larvae densities, emergent vegetation, temporary source (dries up), source may have sensitive species, and/or sources may drain into natural waterways.