Daniel Sussman - Pesticide Basin Plan Amendment

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Re: Lahontan's Pesticide Basin Plan Amendment.

We appreciate both the scoping session and your excellent presentation at our recent Mohave Weed Mt. Area meeting in Barstow. The Amendment is obviously more practical and fair than the current policy.

It will be difficult for us to attend the Bd. hearing this Wed. evening in Victorville - but if you think critical - one of us will make it.

Feel free to pass this on to your Bd. at the hearing:

Per discussions at the Barstow meeting?::

"Water conservation" will be added as a criterion in support of weed management.

Jackie sent you a copy of the Corp's "Regional General Permit (RGP) 41 - (removal of exotics within Waters of the U. S. in s. Calif.). We assume the Amendment does not conflict with its provisions.

Compliance with a pesticide's label is a major element of the Amendment.

If there is "no discharge to surface water" - there is no need for the exemption or filing - and depending on circumstances - Lahontan will respond accordingly in writing to any filing or other contact in relation to the Amendment?

Removal of exotics within or on the banks of wastewater ponds - water from which does not directly flow out as - or to - surface water - might warrant special provisions under the Amendment?

Grant cut-off dates might be considered under "Time Sensitive" provisions - or at least prioritized accordingly?

Again, thanks for your outreach.

Chuck