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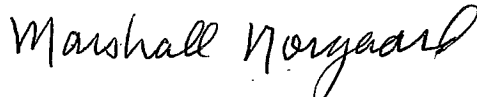
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Subject: NPDES Vector Control Permit (Order NO. 2012-003-DWQ)

Attached to this letter is an "Annual Report" from the Tulare Mosquito Abatement District. The report is included as required for our Districts' operations in regard to the "Statewide National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Biological and Residual Pesticide Discharges to Waters of the United States from Vector Control Applications".

Sincerely Yours



Marshall Norgaard, Manager TMAD

Enclosure: NPDES Annual Report for 2012

Tulare Mosquito Abatement District - Annual Report

NPDES Vector Control Permit (Order NO. 2012-003-DWQ),(General Permit No. CAG 990004).

a. Executive Summary

Tulare Mosquito Abatement District complied with the applicable components of the General NPDES Permit for Biological and Residual Discharges from Vector Control applications (General Permit) beginning November 2011. The District followed guidelines of its Pesticide Application Plan (PAP). Our District operates in compliance with the Cooperative Agreement issued by the CDPH to apply pesticides for public health. Our District is a member of the MVCAC NPDES Permit Coalition. The Coalition obtains data from member agencies by testing and verification to substantiate member agencies are in compliance for biological and residual discharges of any areas in the District where treatments for vector control are made to "Waters of the U.S."

b. Summary of Monitoring Data

Recognizing the need of mosquito control districts to quickly find and treat mosquito breeding sites to prevent the spread of disease, such as West Nile Virus, the SRWCB issued a letter to the MVCAC Coalition dated July 13, 2012 that indicated the visual monitoring requirements would no longer be required of individual Districts. The MVCAC NPDES Permit Coalition Annual Report will provide information on the incidence of West Nile Virus and other similar public health threats. The report also provides data from District agencies where monitoring of treatments were made to "Waters of the U.S."

c. Best Management Practices (BMP) Identification.

BMP's utilized by the District are outlined in the District's PAP. These included: emphasis on reducing mosquito breeding habitat through non-chemical means, training employees to prevent spills and applying appropriate amount of chemical in each treatment area, calibrate application equipment and use a biology based assessment for determining treatment thresholds. Findings included in the MVCAC NPDES Permit Coalition Annual Report will be used to update the District's PAP.

d. Violation Discussion

No violations of this General Permit were observed.

e. Map of Applications

N/A, No applications to "Waters of the U.S." were made by the District during the period of this report.

f. Log of Applications made to " Waters of the U.S."

N/A, No applications to "Waters of the U.S." were made by the District during the period of this report.

g. General Information on Applications

Dosage, concentration and quantity of pesticides used by the District are in compliance with FIFRA pesticide label instructions and our County Agricultural Commissioner.

h. Sampling Results

N/A, No applications to "Waters of the U.S." were made by the District during the period of this report.

i. BMP, PAP, Monitoring Program, Recommendations

A review of our Districts' BMP, PAP, and Monitoring Program will be reviewed along with the MVCAC NPDES Permit Coalition Report. Any changes that need to be made will be incorporated in District operations for "2013".

j. Pesticide Application Log

N/A, No applications to "Waters of the U.S." were made by the District during the period of this report.

4. **Monitoring Reports**

The MVCAC NPDES Permit Coalition Monitoring Annual Report summarizes Biological and Residual Pesticide Discharges to "waters of the U.S. for Coalition members for this report.