

Bay Area Urban Creeks
Deadline: 9/22/06 5pm

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Subject: Plan to control pesticide-related toxicity in Bay Area urban creeks (Public Comments)

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/tmdl/docs/urbancreeks/pn092206.pdf>

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Clerk to the Board

Dear Water Board members, I support clean water in our urban creeks and suggest the standards under consideration will be based on data collected and analysed using appropriate scientific principles. As to this date water samples collected and analyzed for Diazinon and Chlorpyrifos in Marin County have been negative or non-detect for these pesticides. This negative status has been known for over ten (10) years as samples collected and tested have all been negative. In contrast the TMDL standards continue to identify all Marin County Creeks that drain into the Bay as impaired, giving the public a misleading assessment of their condition. These creeks are not impaired and I formally request that they be designated as clean and not impaired due to pesticides. If you can claim they are impaired when there is no evidence they are it will be no problem to say they are not impaired and let the public celebrate the facts and not the fiction perpetuated by the water agency staff. I have gone on record several times in writing and at meetings declaring the facts about Marin Creeks with the Water Board at meeting sponsored by the agency. The reports about Marin Creeks are published. I suggest the Water Agency do the right thing and remove any reference about Marin Creeks being impaired from your reports and state in the report that they are not impaired. It is time to tell the truth and do the right thing.

Sincerely,
Stacy Carlsen
Marin County Agricultural Commissioner

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