Response to Comments - November 23, 2011

Basin Plan Amendment - Pesticide Prohibition & Exemption Criteria

(Comment deadline 12 p.m., November 14, 2011)

Greg Reed -**Round Hill General Improvement District** and Tahoe Water Suppliers Association – Letter 2 (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/comments111411/greg_reed_cmnt_ltr_10312011.pdf)

Comments

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Date: 10/31/2011 12:55 PM

Subject: RE: Request for Public Comment: Pesticide Amendment, Lahontan Water Board

CC: 'Daniel Sussman' <DSussman@waterboards.ca.gov>, 'Richard Booth' <RBooth@...

HI Mary:

Thanks for your response. In addition to the exemption from the Lahontan Board, I was hoping that a prospective applicator would have to obtain an individual NPDES permit rather than relying on a blanket permit.

Thanks,

Greg

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GR2 R1:

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Date: 10/31/2011 1:39 PM

Subject: RE: Request for Public Comment: Pesticide Amendment, Lahontan Water Board

CC: Booth, Richard; Sussman, Daniel

Greq,

A prospective applicator **would need** to obtain an appropriate permit in addition to the exemption. Depending on the nature of the proposed project, a project proponent would be issued one of the following to regulate the discharge of aquatic pesticides: (1) a Statewide General NPDES Permits for aquatic pesticide use http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water-issues/programs/npdes/aquatic.shtml, (2) Regional Board issued individual or general NPDES permit, (3) a waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements, or (4) individual Waste Discharge Requirements.

Response

We anticipate relying on the Statewide NPDES Permits whenever appropriate, since developing an individual permit is duplicative when one already exists. Staff acknowledge that there will situations in which it will be necessary to develop an individual permit, because the project does not fit the intent of the Statewide NPDES permits (i.e., eligible circumstances, aquatic pesticide proposed). Please let me know if I can provide further clarification. Thank you.

Please note: I work a reduced time base with every Friday off.

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