## GENERAL NPDES PERMIT FOR BIOLOGICAL AND RESIDUAL PESTICIDE DISCHARGES FROM VECTOR CONTROL APPLICATIONS

ORDER 2016-0039-DWQ NPDES NO. CAG990004

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## WATER QUALITY ORDER 2016-0039-DWQ

ATTACHMENT E - NOTICE OF INTENT

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY

## GENERAL PERMIT CAG990004

STATEWIDE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT
FOR BIOLOGICAL AND RESIDUAL PESTICIDE DISCHARGES
TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES
FROM VECTOR CONTROL APPLICATIONS
 NOTICE OF INTENT STATUS (cap instructions)

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Mark only one Item   A. New Applicator   B. Change of Information: WDID#							
	☐ C. Change of ownership or responsibility: WDID#						
	XI D. Enrolled unc	ler Order 2011-0002-DWQ: Wi	DID#554AP000	19			
II. DISCHARGER IN	IFORMATION						
A. Name	Delta Vector (	Control District					
B. Mailing Address	PO Box 310						
C. City Visalia		D. County Tulare	E. State Ca	F. Zip Code 93279			
G. Contact Person	AND THE RESERVE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT	H. Email address	1. Title	J. Phone			
Michael W. A	Michael W. Alburn AlburnM@deltavcd.com General Manager 559-732-8606						
III. BILLING ADDRE	ESS (Enter Informa	tion <u>only</u> if different from Sec	etion II above)				
A. Name	A. Name						
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	C. City D. County E. State F. Zip Code						
G. Email address	G. Email address H. Title I. Phone						

#### IV. RECEIVING WATER INFORMATION

A. Biological and residual pesticides discharge to (check all that apply)*:					
Canals, ditches, or other constructed conveyance facilities owned and controlled by Discharger.  Name of the conveyance system:					
XI 2. Canals, ditches, or other constructed conveyance facilities owned and controlled by an entity other than the Discharger. Owner's name: See Attach IV.A.2 Name of the conveyance system:					
Directly to river, lake, creek, stream, bay, ocean, etc.     Name of water body:					
* A map showing the affected areas for items 1 to 3 above may be included. Attach IV.B					
B. Regional Water Quality Control Board(s) where application areas are located (REGION 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9): Region 5 (List all regions where pesticide application is proposed.)					
A map showing the locations of A1-A3 in each Regional Water Board shall be included. Attach IV.B					
V. PESTICIDE APPLICATION INFORMATION					
A. Target Organisms: XIVector Larvae XI Adult Vector					
B. Pesticides Used: List name, active ingredients and, if known, degradation by-products					
See Attach V.B					
C. Period of Application: Start Date 1/1/2016 End Date 12/31/2016					
D. Types of Adjuvants Added by the Discharger:					
VI. PESTICIDES APPLICATION PLAN					
A. Has a Pesticides Application Plan been prepared?*					
80 Yes □ No					
If not, when will it be prepared?No Changes to previous permit					
* A copy of the Pesticides Application Plan shall be included with the NOI.					
B. Is the applicator familiar with its contents?					
\$0 Yes □ No					

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VII. NOTIFICATION						
Have potentially affected governmental agend ⊠ Yes □ No	cles been notified?					
* If yes, a copy of the notifications shall be att	ached to the NOI. Attach VII					
VIII. FEE						
Have you included payment of the filing fee ( 없 Yes 디 NO	for first-time enrollees only) with this su □ NA	bmittai?				
IX. CERTIFICATION						
"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction and supervision in accordance with a system designed to ensure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment. Additionally, I certify that the provisions of the Order, including developing and implementing a monitoring program, will be complied with."						
A. Printed Name: Michael W. Alburn  B. Signature: 4/20/2016  C. Title: General Manager						
X. FOR STATE WATER BOARD USE	ONLY	econamy proporance consideration and considerati				
WDID;	Date NOI Received:	Date NOI Processed:				
Case Handler's Initial:	Fee Amount Received:	Check #:				

#### Attachment IV.A.2 canals, ditches, constructed facilities

Alta East Branch Canal canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Andrews Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Banks Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Bishop Canal canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct **Bowhay Ditch** canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct **Button Ditch** canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct **Buttonwillow Ditch** canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct California Vineyard Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Cary Hunter Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Catron Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Ceaser Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Clark Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Clough Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Consolidated Peoples Ditch canal-int, ditch, or aqueduct Cross Creek Waste Way canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Davis Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct **Evans Ditch** canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Floyd Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Foothill Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Friant Kern Canal canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct **Gray Ditch** canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Horsman Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Kennedy School House Ditch canal-per, ditch, or aqueduct Ketchum Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct King Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Kirk Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Locust Ditch Locust Grove Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Loper Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Lovel Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Mathews Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct Mc Clanahan Ditch canal-intermittent, ditch, or aqueduct Mc Gee Ditch canal-perennial, ditch, or aqueduct

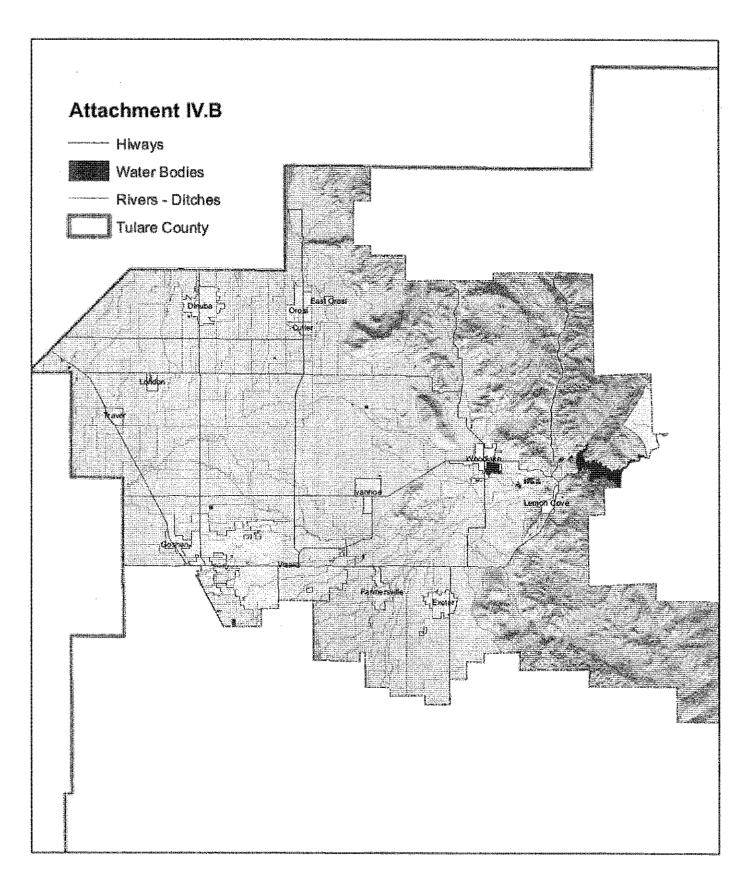
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## Attachment IV.A.2 Owners

Luis Patlan, City Manager City of Dinuba 405 E. El Monte Way	Three Rivers Com. Services Dist P.O. Box 423 Three Rivers, CA 93271	Hills Valley Irrigation District P.O. Box 911 Visalia, CA 93279
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#### Attachment IV.A.3 Rivers, lakes, streams

Antelope Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Williams Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Badger Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Wilson Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Cottonwood Creek Yokohl Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash stream-intermittent, river, or wash Cross Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Bump and Edmiston Ag stream-perennial or river Deep Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Cameron Creek stream-perennial or river Driver Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Cole Slough stream-perennial or river East Fork Dry Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Cottonwood Creek stream-perennial or river Farmers Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Deep Creek stream-perennial or river Fleming Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Dry Creek stream-perennial or river Goetzman Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Elbow Creek stream-perennial or river **Grapevine Creek** stream-intermittent, river, or wash Greasy Creek stream-perennial or river Indian Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Kaweah River stream-perennial or river Johnson Slough stream-intermittent, river, or wash Kaweah River stream-perennial or river Kaweah River stream-intermittent, river, or wash Kings River stream-perennial or river stream-intermittent, river, or wash Kennedy Waste Way Kingsburg Branch stream-perennial or river Lemon Cove Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Long Canal stream-perennial or river **Lewis Creek** stream-intermittent, river, or wash Mankins Creek stream-perennial or river Long Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Mill Creek stream-perennial or river Minnehaha Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Packwood Creek stream-perennial or river Murry Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Saint Johns River stream-perennial or river Outside Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Sand Creek stream-perennial or river Persian Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Smyrna stream-perennial or river Rattlesnake Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash South Fork Persian Ditch stream-perennial or river Ridenhour Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Traver Canal stream-perennial or river Stocker Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Travers Creek stream-perennial or river Story Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash Van Gordon Creek stream-perennial or river Uphill Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Wooten Creek stream-perennial or river Watson Ditch stream-intermittent, river, or wash Wilcox Creek stream-intermittent, river, or wash



Attachment IV B - locations of receiving waters

## Attachment V.B Pesticides used

Pesticide	Active Ingredient	EPA Reg#
Agnique Liquid Gal	Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl),a-(C16-20branched and linearalkyl)-w-hydroxy-	53263-28-AA
Agnique Liquid Oz	Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl),a-(C16-20branched and linearalkyl)-w-hydroxy-	53263-28-AA
Agnique MMF G	Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl),a-(C16-20branched and linearalkyl)-w-hydroxy-	5326-330-AA
Altosid Briq150day	(S)-Methoprene	2724-421-ZA
Altosid Briq30day	(S)-Methoprene	2724-375-ZA
Altosid Liquid	(S)-Methoprene	2724-392-ZA
Altosid Pellets WSP	(S)-Methoprene	2724-448-ZC
Altosid - Sand Mix	(S)-Methoprene	2724-392-ZA
Altosid XRG	(S)-Methoprene	2724-451-ZA
Natular 2EC	Spinosad (A&D)	8329-82-AA
Natular G30	Spinosad (A&D)	8329-83-AA
Coco Bear	Mineral oil	8329-93
Kontrol larvicide	Mineral oil	73748-10
BVA2 larvicide	Mineral oil	70589-1-AA
Pyrenone 25-5	Permethrin; Piperonyl Butoxide	432-1050-ZA
Aqua Reslin	Permethrin; Piperonyl Butoxide	432-796-ZA
Aqualuer 20-20	Permethrin; Piperonyl Butoxide	769-985-AA
Pyronyl 525	Pyrethrins; Piperonyl Butoxide Technical	655-471-AA
VectoBac 12AS	Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	73049-38-AA
VectoBac Granules	Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	73049-10-AA
FourStar SBG	Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	85685-1-AA
FourStar 180	Bacillus sphaericus, Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	83362-3
VectoLex Granules	Bacillus sphaericus	73049-20-AA
VectoLex WSP	Bacillus sphaericus	73049-20-ZA

#### Attachment VII notification of agencies

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY PUBLIC HEALTH PESTICIDES FOR VECTOR CONTROL PURPOSES TO SURFACE WATERS AND WATERS OF THE US WITHIN TULARE COUNTY, CA.

The Delta Vector Control District is a public health agency that protects Tulare County residents and visitors from vectors and vector-borne diseases. The District is an independent special district that operates under the California Health and Safety Code §~2000-2093. We conduct ongoing surveillance of mosquitoes, flies, and other vectors in Delta Vector Control District to determine the threat of disease transmission and to direct our control activities. The District practices a program of integrated vector management (IVM), which includes surveillance for mosquitoes and other vectors; source reduction; biological control; larviciding and adulticiding as indicated by surveillance; resistance monitoring; disease surveillance in vectors and reservoirs of disease; and public education.

Certified vector control technicians may control mosquitoes and other aquatic vectors by using public health pesticides that are registered for use by California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal EPA) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The District is now required to obtain a Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to apply public health pesticides due to a recent decision by the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. In its January 2009 ruling on National Cotton Council, et al. v. EPA, the Court vacated the EPA's 2006 rule that said NPDES permits were not required for applications of pesticides in, over and near U.S. waters when in compliance with the Federal insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) label, and determined that pesticides are pollutants. Consequently, point source discharges to water of the U.S. from the application of pesticides will require NPDES permits when the Court's mandate takes effect on October 31, 2011.

The NPDES permit requires that we notify potentially affected governmental agencies before the first application of aquatic pesticides each calendar year. This is the notification letter advising you that public health pesticides will be used to control mosquitoes and other vectors during 2016 in the Delta Vector Control District.

Names of pesticides: Agnique Liquid Oz, Agnique MMF G, Altosid Briq150day, Altosid Briq130day, Altosid Liquid, Altosid Pellets WSP, Altosid XRG, Aqua Reslin, Aqualuer 20-20, BVA2 Larvicide, Natular 2EC, Natular G30, Pyrenone 25-5, Pyronyl 525, VectoBac 12AS, VectoBac Granules, VectoLex Granules, VectoLex WSP.

Purpose of use: To protect public health controlling mosquitoes and other vectors.

General time period and locations of expected use: Applications will be made in Delta Vector Control District from January 1 through December 31, 2016.

Water use restrictions or precautions: There are no known water use restrictions or precautions during treatment.

Contact: Interested persons may contact Michael Alburn at (559) 732-8606 for additional information.

Please call me if there are any concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

Míchael W. Alburn

Michael W. Alburn

Manager

## Attachment VII continued

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# Pesticide Application Plan (PAP) for the NPDES Vector Control Permit Application of the Delta Vector Control District (DVCD).

1. **Target areas:** surface waters and waters of the U.S. within the Delta Vector Control District (DVCD) boundary in Tulare County, CA. See: Map of DVCD boundaries Appendix PAP 1.1.

In prior years, the District has applied adulticides and/or larvicides directly to or in the vicinity of the following water bodies.

Kaweah Bravo Antelope Creek Badger Creek Bear Creek Cedar Creek Cross Creek Cottonwood Creek Deep Creek Dry Creek East Fork Elbow Creek Farmers Ditch Fleming Ditch Goetzman Creek Grapevine Creek Indian Creek Johnson Slough Lemon Cove Ditch Lewis Creek Long Creek Minnehaha Creek Murry Creek Negro Slough Outside Creek Persian Creek Rattlesnake Creek Ridenhour Creek Sontag Ditch Stocker Creek Story Creek Van Gordon Creek Williams Ditch Wilcox Creek Yokohl Creek

Bump and Edmiston

Lake Lake Intermittent stream, river, or wash Perennial stream or river

Cameron Creek
Cole Slough
Cherokee Creek
Dry Creek
Greasy Creek
Kaweah River
Kaweah River North Fork
Kaweah River South Fork
Kennedy Wasteway
Kings River
Kingsburg Branch
Long Canal
Mankins Creek

Perennial stream or river Perennial stream or river

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Perennial stream or river

Mill Creek
Packwood Creek
Saint Johns River
Sand Creek
Smyrna
Travers Creek
Wooten Creek

In prior years, the District has applied adulticides and/or larvicides directly to or in the vicinity of the following canals, ditches, or other constructed conveyance facilities:

Banks Ditch
Button Ditch
Catron Ditch
Clements

Cross Creek Waste Way

Foothill Ditch Gray Ditch Horseman Ditch Ketchum Ditch King Ditch

Lindsay Strathmore canal Locust Grove Ditch Mill Creek Ditch Modoc Ditch Packwood Canal

Persian Ditch North Fork Persian Ditch South Fork

Rice Ditch Tout Ditch

Tulare Colony Ditch Van Noy Ditch Watson Ditch

Intermittent canal, ditch, or aqueduct Intermittent canal, ditch, or aqueduct

Alta East Branch Canal Andrews Ditch Bowhay Ditch Buttonwillow Ditch Bishop Canal

California Vineyard Ditch
Cary Hunter Ditch
Ceaser Ditch
Clark Ditch
Clough Ditch
Driver Ditch
Floyd Ditch
Friant Kern Canal
Island Canal

Kennedy School House Ditch

Kirk Ditch Lakeland Canal Loper Ditch Lovel Ditch Mc Clanahan Ditch

Mc Clanahan Dit Mc Gee Ditch Monson Ditch Montague Ditch Peoples Ditch Riverside Ditch

Sand Ridge Aqueduct Ditch Smith Mountain Ditch

Tulare Canal Tulare Ditch

**Tulare Irrigation Canal** 

Traver Canal Wachumna

Wilson Dinuba Ditch

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Wilson Hunter Ditch

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City City

Dinuba Exeter Farmersville City
Visalia City
Woodlake City

East Orosi
Goshen
Community Services District
Sultana
Community Services District
Community Services District
Community Services District

Tract 92 Community Services District
Kings River Conservation District
Selma-Kingsburg-Fowler County Sanitation District

St. John's Water District
Lewis Creek Water District

Tulare County Flood Control District
Alta Flood Control District

Consolidated Irrigation District
Exeter Irrigation District
Hills Valley Irrigation District
Ivanhoe Irrigation District
Lindmore Irrigation District
Lindsay-Strathmore Irrigation District

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Orange Cove Irrigation District
Stone Corral Irrigation District
Levee District No. 1 Levee District
Levee District No. 2 Levee District

CutlerPublic Utility DistrictIvanhoePublic Utility DistrictOrosiPublic Utility District

Tulare County Resource Conservation District

Lemon Cove Sanitary District

Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District

- 2. Discussion of the factors influencing the decision to select pesticide applications for mosquito control;
  - Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California. 2011. California Department of Health Services, Vector-Borne Disease Section. Pages 1, 4-19.
  - California Mosquito-Borne Virus Surveillance & Response Plan. 2011. California Department of Health Services, Vector-Borne Disease Section. Pages 3-9.
  - Operational Plan for Emergency Response to Mosquito-Borne Disease Outbreaks. 2010. California Department of Public Health, Vector-Borne Disease Section. Pages 6-10, 19-20.
  - Overview of Mosquito Control Practices in California. 2008. California Department of Public Health, Vector-Borne Disease Section. Pages 3, 6-15, 18-19, 21-22.
  - Epidemic/Epizootic West Nile Virus in the United States: Guidelines for Surveillance, Prevention, and Control. 2003. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Pages 5-13, 15-17, 27-35.

The use of pesticides to control adult and immature stages of mosquitoes is determined when other control methods cannot or will not be feasible. Following are but some examples of the limitations that other control methods present that may then trigger the need for a pesticide application:

Biological control (use of mosquitofish) has definite limitations. For example:

- They can seldom inhabit two important larval sites: small containers and highly polluted water. In temporary water sites, repeated introduction of fish will be required.
- Mosquito-eating fish can harm beneficial organisms (e.g., other fish or insect predators) by eating their eggs and young or by superior competition for food. Their release carries the potential to reduce or eliminate non-target species.
- Larvivorous fish may be preyed upon by larger fish. Their vulnerability to fungi and other pathogens may keep their populations in check.
- Where larvivorous fish are harvested or removed, their populations could be reduced to a level inadequate for mosquito control.
- Mosquito-eating fish may prefer food other than mosquito larvae. In some situations, mosquito larvae production outruns the increase in fish population that would be necessary for control.
- The District can only rear certain amounts of mosquitofish per year in. All mosquitofish produced are used in the District's biological control element of the IPM program.

Natural control (a pest management strategy whereby the environment is disturbed as little as possible) has definite limitations. For example:

• Natural control is sometimes difficult to implement or assess due to the amount of manmade or manipulated vector sources found in the District. Natural control is advocated for sites that are remote and undisturbed, to the least amount practical, for the individual vector species being contemplated for control.

Physical control (or mosquito habitat modification) has definite limitations. For example:

• Only man-made or managed mosquito sources are capable of being physically altered to reduce mosquito abundance. In some cases physically altered lands will reduce, but not eliminate mosquito breeding, requiring the implementation of other forms of control, including biological and chemical control.

3. Pesticide products or types expected to be used and if known, their degradation byproducts, the method in which they are applied, and if applicable, the adjuvant and surfactants used;

The following list of products may be used by the District for larval or adult control. All of these products may be applied by ground (hand, truck, backpack, hand can, all terrain vehicle, amphibious vehicle, etc) or by air (helicopter, or fixed wing aircraft) according to label directions.

#### **List of Permitted Products**

Pesticide	Active Ingredient	EPA Reg #
Agnique Liquid Gal	Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl),a-(C16-20branched and linearalkyl)-w-hydroxy-	53263-28-AA
Agnique Liquid Oz	Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl),a-(C16-20branched and linearalkyl)-w-hydroxy-	53263-28-AA
Agnique MMF G	Poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl),a-(C16-20branched and linearalkyl)-w-hydroxy-	5326-330-AA
Altosid Briq150day	(S)-Methoprene	2724-421-ZA
Altosid Briq30day	(S)-Methoprene	2724-375-ZA
Altosid Liquid	(S)-Methoprene	2724-392-ZA
Altosid Pellets WSP	(S)-Methoprene	2724-448-ZC
Altosid - Sand Mix	(S)-Methoprene	2724-392-ZA
Altosid XRG	(S)-Methoprene	2724-451-ZA
Natular 2EC	Spinosad (A&D)	8329-82-AA
Natular G30	Spinosad (A&D)	8329-83-AA
Coco Bear	Mineral oil	8329-93
Kontrol larvicide	Mineral oil	73748-10
BVA2 larvicide	Mineral oil	70589-1-AA
Pyrenone 25-5	Permethrin; Piperonyl Butoxide	432-1050-ZA
Aqua Reslin	Permethrin; Piperonyl Butoxide	432-796-ZA
Aqualuer 20-20	Permethrin; Piperonyl Butoxide	769-985-AA
Pyronyl 525	Pyrethrins; Piperonyl Butoxide Technical	655-471-AA
VectoBac 12AS	Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	73049-38-AA
VectoBac Granules	Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	73049-10-AA
FourStar SBG	Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	85685-1-AA
FourStar 180	Bacillus sphaericus, Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis	83362-3
VectoLex Granules	Bacillus sphaericus	73049-20-AA
VectoLex WSP	Bacillus sphaericus	73049-20-ZA

# 4. Description of all the application areas and the target areas in the system that are being planned to be applied or may be applied. Provide a map showing these areas;

Any site that holds water for more than 96 hours (4 days) can produce mosquitoes. Source reduction is the Delta Vector Control District's preferred solution, and whenever possible the District works with property owners to effect long-term solutions to reduce or eliminate the need for continued applications as described in item 2 above. Mosquito breeding sources and areas that require adult mosquito control are difficult to predict from year to year based on the weather and environmental conditions. However, typical sources treated by this District include: permanent & semi-permanent seasonal wetlands, streams, rivers, lakes, canals & ditches, irrigated pasture & crops, flood control containment basins and associated water conveyance systems, livestock and sewer impoundments, manmade aquatic containments, and tributary waters of the Kings, St. Johns, and Kaweah Rivers.

Source Type	Source Description
110	Alfalfa
120	Irrigated Pasture
130	Orchard
140	Corn
150	Cotton
160	Grain
170	Vine Crop
180	Sudan Grass
190	Other Ag crop
210	Irrigation Pipe
220	Irrigation Pond
230	Irrigation Canal
310	Misc. Open land
320	Misc. Native Pasture
330	Misc. Trough
410	Swimming Pool -Private
411	Pool Above Ground
412	Spa
415	Fountain
418	Aerial Spot
420	Pond -Private
430	Wash drain/sink -Private
440	Container -Private
450	Cesspool -Private
460	Other source -Private
510	Gutter/Storm drain/Sump
530	Golf Course/Park
540	Roadside/Railroad
550	School
560	Other public domain
610	Other Commercial

62	20	Dairy Lagoon
62	21	Sludge field
62	25	Livestock pens
6	30	Flood control basin
64	40	Mining
6	50	Lumber Yard
66	60	Sewer Treatment
6	70	Tires
<sup>7</sup> 7	10	Natural Marsh
7:	20	Natural River / Slough
7;	30	Natural Creek

#### 5. Other control methods used (alternatives) and their limitations;

With any source of mosquitoes or other vector's, the Delta Vector Control District's first goal is to look for ways to eliminate the source, or, if that is not possible, for ways to reduce the potential for vectors. The most commonly used methods and their limitations are included in the Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California, 2011. Pages 1, 4-19.

Specific methods used by the District include stocking mosquito fish (*Gambusia affinis*), educating residents that mosquitoes develop in standing water and encouraging them to remove sources of standing water on their property, and working with property owners to find long-term water management strategies that meet their needs while minimizing the need for public health pesticide applications.

#### 6. How much product is needed and how this amount was determined;

The need to apply product is determined by surveillance. The Delta Vector Control District cannot speculate on the amount of product required to be used on a prospective basis. Actual use varies annually depending on mosquito abundance. The pesticide amounts presented below were taken from the Delta Vector Control District's 2010 Pesticide Use Report as an estimate of pesticide use in 2011 and outlying years. Total Use and Waters of the US are identified in the chart below and in Appendix PAP 6.1.

#### Total District Use 2010

MANUFACTURER	NAME OF PRODUCT	EPA/CALIFORNIA REG#	TOTAL PRODUCT	USED	# OF APPLICATIONS
Cognis Corp	Agnique Gal	53263-28-AA	345.79	gal	3134
Cognis Corp	Agnique MMF G	5326-330-AA	44.00	lb	1
Zoecon	Altosid Briq150day	2724-421-ZA	38.80	dl	246
Zoecon	Altosid Liquid	2724-392-ZA	31.91	gal	864
Zoecon	Altosid Pellets WSP	2724-448-ZC	1,106.28	lb	1273
Zoecon	Altosid XRG	2724-451-ZA	733.00	lb	20
Clarke	GoldenBear1111	8329-72-AA	1,333.00	gal	887
BVA Oils	BVA2 Larvicide	70589-1	6,702.00	gal	932
Prentiss Inc.	Pyronyl 525	655-471-AA	3.34	gal	27
Valent BioScience	VectoBac 12AS	73049-38-AA	605.16	gal	1935
Valent BioScience	VectoBac Granules	73049-10-AA	746.00	lb	52
Valent BioScience	VectoBac TP (SandMixed)	73049-13-AA	555.36	lb	649
Valent BioScience	VectoLex Granules	73049-20-AA	600.00	ib	36
Valent BioScience	VectoLex WSP	73049-20-ZA	54.19	lb	584

#### Used under Waters of the US 2010

MANUFACTURER	NAME OF PRODUCT	EPA/CALIFORNIA REG#	TOTAL PRODUCT	USED	# OF APPLICATIONS
Cognis Corp	Agnique Gal	53263-28-AA	4.13	gal	4
Zoecon	Altosid Briq150day	2724-421-ZA	2.90	lb	12
Zoecon	Altosid Liquid	2724-392-ZA	7.73	gal	157
Zoecon	Altosid Pellets WSP	2724-448-ZC	0.60	lb	17
Zoecon	Altosid XRG	2724-451-ZA	74.00	lb	2
Clarke	GoldenBear1111	8329-72-AA	137.25	gal	142
BVA Oils	BVA2 Larvicide	70589-1	140.75	gal	102
Valent BioScience	VectoBac 12AS	73049-38-AA	33.88	gal	226
Valent BioScience	VectoBac Granules	73049-10-AA	602.00	lb	. 44
Valent BioScience	VectoBac TP (SandMixed)	73049-13-AA	204.92	lb	210
Valent BioScience	VectoLex Granules	73049-20-AA	545.00	lb	32
Valent BioScience	VectoLex WSP	73049-20-ZA	2.68	lb	44

7.	Representative monitoring locations and the justification for selecting these monitoring locations;
	Please see the MVCAC NPDES Coalition Monitoring Plan.

8. Evaluation of available BMPs to determine if there are feasible alternatives to the selected pesticide application project that could reduce potential water quality impacts;

The Delta Vector Control District performs source reduction through physical control efforts through Memorandum(s) of Understanding with the California Department of Fish and Game. Examples that have resulted in the reduction of pesticide applications are the following:

- Memorandum of Understanding between the California Department of Fish and Game, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control Districts of the South San Joaquin Valley regarding vegetation management in wastewater treatment facilities, 1993 (See Appendix PAP 8.1).
- Stream Alteration Agreement No. 2005-0151-R4 Kings, St. Johns, and Kaweah Rivers Tulare County. March 28, 2006 (See Appendix PAP 8.2).

9. Description of the BMPs to be implemented. The BMPs shall include at a minimum: The Delta Vector Control District's BMP's are described in Item 2 above. Specific elements have been highlighted below under items a —f:

#### a. measures to prevent a pesticide spill;

All pesticide applicators receive annual spill prevention and response annually. District employees monitor application equipment daily to ensure it remains in proper working order. Spill mitigation devices are placed in all spray vehicles and pesticide storage areas to respond to spills.

- b. measures to ensure that only a minimum and consistent amount is used; Application equipment is calibrated each year as part of the terms of a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). Please see Appendix PAP 9.b.
- c. a plan to educate Coalition's or Discharger's staff and pesticide applicator on any potential adverse effects to waters of the U.S. from the pesticide application: Applicators are required to complete pesticide training on an annual basis. Records are kept of these training sessions for review by the local agricultural commissioner and/ or CDPH. Employees certified by the CDPH must perform at least 20 hours of Continuing Education units to maintain their certification.

# d. descriptions of specific BMPs for each application mode, e.g. aerial spray, truck, hand, etc.;

The Delta Vector Control District calibrates truck mounted and handheld larviciding equipment each year to meet application specifications. Supervisors review application records daily to ensure appropriate amounts of material are being used. Ultra Low Volume (ULV) application equipment is calibrated for output and droplet size to meet label requirements. Aerial larviciding equipment is calibrated by the Contractor. Aerial adulticide equipment is calibrated at a minimum of once per year and as needed based on efficacy results and total amount of product used per event. Droplet sizes are monitored by the District to ensure droplets meet label requirements. Airplanes used in urban ULV applications and the primary airplane use for rural ULV application is equipped with advanced guidance and drift management equipment to ensure the best available technology is being used to place product in the intended spray area. If a secondary airplane is used in rural ULV applications it will be equipped with an advanced guidance system.

# e. descriptions of specific BMPs for each pesticide product used; and Please see the Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California, 2011-Pages 1, 4-19, for general pesticide application BMP's, and current approved pesticide labels for application BMP's for specific products.

f. descriptions of specific BMPs for each type of environmental setting (agriculture, urban, and wetland).

Employees evaluate the ability of a given mosquito breeding source to be reduced or eliminated per biological and/or physical control strategies outlined in CDPH's Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California, 2011- Pages 1, 4-19, after determining: 1) the species of mosquito, 2) the immediate population of mosquitoes, and 3) the current public health threat posed by the mosquito specie(s), the current mosquito population, and related arbovirus activity. Additional information regarding arbovirus activity is also used in determining what type of control technique should be implemented and when.

#### 10. Identification of the problem.

# a. If applicable, establish densities for larval and adult vector populations to serve as action threshold(s) for implementing pest management strategies;

The Delta Vector Control District staff only applies pesticide to sources of mosquitoes that represent imminent threats to public health or quality of life. The presence of any mosquito may necessitate treatment, however higher thresholds may be applied depending on the District's resources, disease activity, surveillance data, or local needs. Treatment thresholds are based on a combination of one or more of the following criteria:

- Mosquito species present
- Mosquito stage of development
- Pest, nuisance, or disease potential
- Disease activity
- Mosquito abundance
- Flight range
- Proximity to populated areas
- Size of source
- Presence/absence of natural enemies or predators
- Presence of sensitive/endangered species or habitats

#### b. Identify target vector species to develop species-specific pest management strategies based on developmental and behavioral considerations for each species;

Please see Item 2 above and Appendix PAP 10.b: Delta Vector Control District Larval Treatment Criteria.

# c. Identify known breeding areas for source reduction, larval control program, and habitat management; and

Any site that holds water for more than 96 hours (4 days) can produce mosquitoes. Source reduction is the Delta Vector Control District's preferred solution, and whenever possible the District works with property owners to implement long-term solutions to reduce or eliminate the need for continued pesticide applications as described in Item 2 above. The following are known breeding areas where source reduction reduces the need for larval control through habitat management options.

Name	TRS	Source #
Kingsburg Gun Club	16-22-25	4001
Kingsburg Sewer Farm	16-22-36	2001-2003
Lindy's Landing	16-23-08	2001, 4001-4002
Brandt's	16-23-09	1001-1002
416 Bridge	16-23-17	2001-2002
Jacksons	16-23-17	3001
Beaver Pond	16-23-19	2001
Kings River Golf and Country Club	16-23-29	1001

Tulare County Park	16-23-30	3001
Brickyard	16-23-30	3002
Mary & Gary Johnson's	16-23-30	4001
Royal Oak Park and Island	16-23-30	4003
St. John's River	18-27-04	3001

d. Analyze existing surveillance data to identify new or unidentified sources of vector problems as well as areas that have recurring vector problems.

The District continually collects adult and larval mosquito surveillance data, dead bird reports, and monitors regional mosquito-borne disease activity detected in humans, horses, birds, and/or other animals, and uses these data to guide mosquito control activities/decisions (see Appendix PAP 10.d Summary of WNV/SLE Incidence 1989/2011).

- 11. Examination of Alternatives. Dischargers shall continue to examine alternatives to pesticide use in order to reduce the need for applying larvicides that contain temephos and spraying adulticides. Such methods include:
  - a. Evaluating the following management options, in which the impact to water quality, impact to non-target organisms, vector resistance, feasibility, and cost effectiveness should be considered:
    - No action
    - Prevention
    - Mechanical or physical methods
    - Cultural methods
    - Biological methods
    - Pesticides

If there are no alternatives to pesticides, dischargers shall use the least amount of pesticide necessary to effectively control the target pest.

The Delta Vector Control District uses the principles and practices of Integrated Vector Management program (IVM) as described on pages 26-27 of the Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California, 2011, and discussed in item 2 above. As stated in item #10 above, locations where vectors may exist are assessed, and the potential for using alternatives to pesticides is determined on a case-by-case basis. Commonly considered alternatives include: 1) Eliminate artificial sources of standing water; 2) Ensure temporary sources of surface water drain within four days (96 hours) to prevent adult mosquitoes from developing; 3) Control plant growth in ponds, ditches and shallow wetlands; 4) Design facilities and water conveyance and/or holding structures to minimize the potential for producing mosquitoes; and 5) Use appropriate biological control methods that are available. Additional alternatives to using pesticides for managing mosquitoes are listed on pages 4-19 of the Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California.

Implementing preferred alternatives depends on a variety of factors including availability of District resources, cooperation with stakeholders, coordination with other regulatory agencies, and the anticipated efficacy of the alternative. If a pesticide-free alternative does not sufficiently reduce the risk to public health, pesticides are considered, beginning with the least amount necessary to effectively control the target vector.

b. Applying pesticides only when vectors are present at a level that will constitute a nuisance.

The Delta Vector Control District follows an existing IVM program which includes practices described in Item 2 above.

A "nuisance" is specifically defined in California Health and Safety Code (HSC) \$2002(j). This definition allows vector control agencies to address situations where

even a low number of vectors may pose a substantial threat to public health and quality of life. In practice, the definition of a "nuisance" is generally only part of a decision to apply pesticides to areas covered under this permit. As summarized in the California Mosquito-borne Virus Surveillance and Response Plan, the overall risk to the public when vectors and/or vector-borne disease are present is used to select an available and appropriate material, rate, and application method to address that risk in the context of our IVM program.

#### 12. Correct Use of Pesticides

Coalition's or Discharger's use of pesticides must ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to minimize the impacts caused by pesticide applications. Reasonable precautions include using the right spraying techniques and equipment, taking account of weather conditions and the need to protect the environment.

This is an existing practice of the Delta Vector Control District, and is required to comply with the Department of Pesticide Regulation's (DPR) requirements and the terms of our California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Cooperative Agreement (Please see Appendix PAP 9.b). All pesticide applicators receive annual safety and spill training in addition to their regular continuing education.

13. If applicable, specify a website where public notices, required in Section VIII.B, may be found.

The Delta Vector Control District maintains a web site that provides public documents for public viewing; required public notices will be made a part of that web site.

#### 14. Pesticide Application Log.

The Discharger shall maintain a log for each pesticide application. The application log shall contain, at a minimum, the following information, when practical, for larvicides or adulticide applications:

- a. Date of application;
- b. Location of the application and target areas (e.g., address, crossroads, or map coordinates);
- c. Name of applicator;
- d. The names of the water bodies treated (i.e., canal, creek, lake, etc.)
- e. Application details, such as application started and stopped, pesticide application rate and concentration, flow rate of the target area, surface water area, volume of water treated, pesticide(s) and adjuvants used by the Discharger, and volume of mass of each component discharged;

This is an existing practice of the Delta Vector Control District, and is required to comply with the Department of Pesticide Regulation's (DPR) requirements and the terms of our California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Cooperative Agreement (Please see Appendix PAP 9.b).

#### References:

- Best Management Practices for Mosquito Control in California. 2011. Available by download from the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at <a href="http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php">http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php</a> under the heading *Mosquito Control and Repellent Information*. Copies may be also requested by calling the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at (916) 552-9730 or the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- California Mosquito-borne Virus Surveillance and Response Plan. 2011. [Note: this document is updated annually by CDPH]. Available by download from the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at <a href="http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php">http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php</a> under the heading Response Plans and Guidelines. Copies may be also requested by calling the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at (916) 552-9730 or the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Operational Plan for Emergency Response to Mosquito-Borne Disease Outbreaks. 2010. Available by download from the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at <a href="http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php">http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php</a> under the heading *Response Plans and Guidelines*. Copies may be also requested by calling the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at (916) 552-9730 or the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Overview of Mosquito Control Practices in California. 2008. California Department of Public Health, Vector-Borne Disease Section. Available by download from the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at <a href="http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php">http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php</a> under the heading Mosquito Control and Repellent Information. Copies may be also requested by calling the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at (916) 552-9730 or the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Epidemic/Epizootic West Nile Virus in the United States: Guidelines for Surveillance, Prevention, and Control. 2003. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Available by download from the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at <a href="http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php">http://www.westnile.ca.gov/resources.php</a> under the heading Response Plans and Guidelines. Copies may be also requested by calling the California Department of Public Health Vector-Borne Disease Section at (916) 552-9730 or the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- MVCAC NPDES Coalition Monitoring Plan. 2011. [In development]
- Memorandum of Understanding Between the California Department of Fish and Game, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and Mosquito and Vector Control Districts of the South San Joaquin Valley Regarding Vegetation Management in Wastewater Treatment Facilities. 1993. Copies may be requested by calling the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Stream Alteration Agreement No. 2005-0151-R4 Kings, St. Johns, and Kaweah Rivers Tulare County. March 28, 2006. Copies may be requested by calling the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Cooperative Agreement between the California Department of Public Health and the Delta Vector Control District pursuant to Section 116180, Health and Safety Code. Effective January 1, 2012. Copies may be requested by calling the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Delta Vector Control District Larval Treatment Criteria. Copies may be requested by calling the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.
- Delta Vector Control District Summary of WNV/SLE Incidence 1989/2011. Copies may be requested by calling the Delta Vector Control District at (559) 732-8606.