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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Date of Issuance February 7, 2019
Lead agency: Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program/Program Development Services/Technical Services Unit
Agency Contact: Stacey Callaway, Stacey.Callaway@ecy.wa.gov, 360-407-7118
Agency File #: Not Applicable
Permit Name: Draft Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES General Permit

Description of proposal:

The proposal is a non-project action for issuance of the draft Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES General Permit. This permit covers all mosquito control activities that result in a discharge of larvicides or indirect discharge of adulticides to waters of the state of Washington. This permit does **not** apply to homeowner use of residential pesticides.

Location of proposal: Waters of Washington State.

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Ecology determined that this proposal will **not** have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is **not** required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). We reviewed the attached Environmental Checklist, SEPA Nonproject Review Form, and the Fact Sheet for the draft Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES General Permit. These documents are available on Ecology's webpage at the following link.

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Permits-certifications/Aquatic-pesticide-permits/Aquatic-mosquito-control>

This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions.

Conditions within this proposed permit put restrictions on the use of larvicides and adulticides to reduce environmental impacts. Larvicide-use restrictions ensure that discharge is conducted in an effective manner and only when populations of mosquitoes have been identified or when a public health concern exists. Discharge of adulticides may only indirectly enter water. Additionally, use restrictions are placed on applications of adulticides and larvicides in locations identified by the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife as having vulnerable species.

This Determination of Nonsignificance is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2). The associated comment period corresponds with the comment period for the draft Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES General Permit, which ends on April 19, 2019.

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