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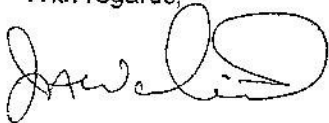
Re: A Cooperative Agreement between Marin Organic and the Marin Sonoma Mosquito and Vector Control District.

I, Jim Wanderscheid, as Director of the Marin-Sonoma Mosquito and Vector Control District, have directed the response of the District, upon finding a mosquito problem on an organic farm, to be as follows:

1. Contact the farmer verbally and directly discuss the problem. At this time a discussion regarding a short-term solution and the long-term goals will be discussed. This will be documented in writing and a copy will be given to the Farm owner.
2. Under the Districts Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM) as documented in the CEQA Document all avenues of Physical Control (mechanical Control) and Biological Control (Mosquito Fish) will be used to resolve the current problem.
3. If it is determined that materials used for Mosquito Larval Control (only as a last resort) are to be applied, only approved methods and substances, as stated in the National List of USDA's National Organic Program (<http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop/NationalList/ListHome.html>), shall be applied.
4. In the event of an arbovirus seroconversion in humans (one or more locally acquired human cases) the district along with the County Health Officer, and the Department of Health Services can declare a state of Emergency. At this point the California State Response Plan as well as the Marin Sonoma Mosquito and Vector Control Response plan will be used to control the Emergency.

I acknowledge that the use of any material or method not allowed under the United States Department of Agriculture's National Organic Program (NOP) will cause a farm to lose its certified organic status and could threaten the livelihood of the organic farmer.

With regards,



Jim Wanderscheid