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**STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

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Lead agency: Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program/Program Development Services/Technical Services Unit

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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 the state of Washington.

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Ecology has 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 have reviewed the attached Environmental Checklist developed for the proposed Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES General Permit. This is available at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/pesticides/final_pesticide_permits/mosquito/index.html

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This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions:

Mosquito control activities conducted under this proposed permit will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment if Permittees follow the permit conditions, the FIFRA label, the Washington Pesticide Control Act, and the Washington Pesticide Application Act.

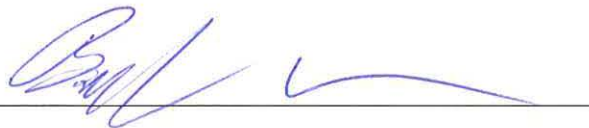
Conditions within this proposed permit put restrictions on the use of larvicides and adulticides to reduce environmental impacts. Larvicides use restrictions ensure that discharge is conducted in an effective manner and only when populations of mosquitoes have been identified or when a public health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

This Determination of Nonsignificance is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and the comment period will end on April 17, 2015, to correspond with the comment period on the Draft Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES General Permit.

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