Response to Comments - September 30, 2011

Basin Plan Amendment - Pesticide Prohibition & Exemption Criteria

(Comment deadline 5 p.m., May 13, 2011)

California Department of Public Health -Northern California Drinking Water Field Operations Branch http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/comments051311/cdphdw.pdf

Comments Response

Mary Fiore-Wagner - RE: Lahontan Draft Pesticide Basin Plan Amendment Language

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Mary,

I looked at the "Draft Waste Discharge Prohibition and Exemption Criteria Language Pesticide Basin Plan Amendment", and suggest you add two bullets on page 7 to the <u>Exemption Criteria for Aquatic Pesticide Use</u> section as shown below:

- 1. Project Information to include:
 - a. Project description including, but not limited to, proposed schedule, duration, name of pesticide, method and rate of application, spatial extent, water body, control/mitigation measures to be used, contact information.
 - b. Purpose and need for project.
 - c. The chemical composition of the pesticide to be used, including inert ingredients.
 - d. An estimate of the maximum foreseeable concentrations of pesticide components in any surface water intake used for drinking water supplies within ½ mile of the point of application.
 - e. Public notification and warning plan must be implemented before and during the project and include any water use restrictions or precautions during treatment if necessary. Suitable measures will be taken to identify potentially affected sources of potable surface and ground water intakes, and to provide potable drinking water where necessary.
 - f. Spill contingency plan to address proper transport, storage, spill prevention and cleanup.

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Chief, Northern California Drinking Water Field Operations Branch 1616 Capitol Avenue, MS 7407, P.O. Box 997377 Sacramento, CA 95899-7377 (916) 449-5596 / (918) 449-5656 FAX **CDPH-Drinking Water R1**: The suggested or similar language has been included to bolster protections for projects that may impact drinking water intakes. The language can found in Chapter 4 of the Basin Plan under the section titled "Exemption Criteria for Aquatic Pesticide Use."