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To: Potentially Affected Public Agencies

Subject: Aquatic Plant Management on Clear Lake for the 2018 season



Sago pondweed



Milfoil



Curlyleaf pondweed

This letter is to notify you of the Lake County Water Resources intention to have aquatic herbicides/algaecides applied to Clear Lake for aquatic plant management in 2018. The State Water Resources Control Board is permitting this activity through **Water Quality Order No. 2013-0002-DWQ General Permit No. CAG990005 Statewide General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Residual Aquatic Pesticide Discharges to Waters of the United States from Algae and Aquatic Weed Control Applications.** This notification is a requirement of the permit. All aquatic plant management on Clear Lake is based on the NPDES permit and the associated Clear Lake Integrated Aquatic Plant Management Plan (CLIAPMP), August 1, 2004. The CLIAPMP Monitoring and Reporting Plan and the CLIAPMP Quality Assurance Plan were revised to conform to the 2013 NPDES permit. This permit expires November 30, 2019.

Aquatic herbicides/algaecides that could potentially be used in 2018 are: copper, 2,4-D, triclopyr, endothall, diquat, flumioxazin, and sodium carbonate peroxyhydrate.

The aquatic weeds to be controlled are: sago pondweed, milfoil (invasive), curlyleaf pondweed, Illinois pondweed, longleaf pondweed, horned pondweed, creeping water primrose (invasive), coontail, Brazilian elodea (invasive), elodea, and hydrilla (invasive).

Hydrilla is a CA Department of Food and Agriculture “A” rated pest that has a state mandated (state funded) eradication program in place on Clear Lake with a separate NPDES permit.

With the approval of the CA Department of Fish and Wildlife, aquatic herbicides will be applied to Clear Lake in June and continue (with approval) periodically through October.

Water use restrictions or precautions are the responsibility of the licensed aquatic herbicide applicators.

Do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you have any questions or comments.

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