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Good Morning,

I missed your <u>public scoping meeting</u> last night here in Bishop and I really wish I did not. Hopefully it is not too late to add my concerns about mosquito breeding near human population centers that cover the entire Owens Valley and the Mammoth Lakes area.

Our mosquito program started because the mosquitos were so bad people could not live with them. Our program, like so many other mosquito control programs across our state, needs to preserve the ability to access all mosquito breeding areas so the mosquitoes can be controlled so the quality of life for our rate payers can be preserved.

Please be sure to allow for mosquito control as part of your State Wildlife Action Plan. Additionally, any newly created wetlands should have a funding source to control new mosquito populations as part of the project's cost.

Thank you for including mosquito control considerations as part of your plan.

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