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It is critical to any decision-making by Ecology about pesticide usage in estuaries that science-based information be the basis for estuarine management decisions. The trend in this agency towards decisions led by public opinion is dismaying. Please get back to facts, back to science, and back to factual ecological outcomes for the shellfish industry.

In that light, as an ecologist, I support science-based management of pest species in coastal estuaries, including the use of appropriate pesticides, properly applied. I also support better management of historic predatory fish species to provide control of burrowing shrimp species in the coastal estuaries of Washington.