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I do not like the wide range pesticide applications throughout Yolo and Sacramento Counties. Mosquitoes are only one species in our environment. Who is studying the impact on non-target species in the air, on the ground and in the water? Who is studying the impact on the wild bee population during and after this current pesticide plan? Who is studying the impact of all the predators who eat mosquitoes who may eat the poisoned insects? Who is studying the impact of the pesticides in the ground water? Who is studying the impact on pesticides in the environment on regional baby and adult birds and bats as well as migratory birds and bats?

Maybe we don't like mosquitoes and maybe they make our lives inconvenient because they carry disease, but the mosquito, in all stages of their lifecycle, is a part of this ecosystem that we live in and there a lot of species that we love that rely on this food source like bats, frogs and guppies, dragonflies, birds, fish and turtles.

As a person who is often the only one in a crowd who gets bitten by this little monsters, I know how annoying, uncomfortable and troublesome a bug bite can be and even I know this current plan is a BAD IDEA! Please refocus your efforts on education and maybe offering folks free bug spray or bug zappers for their yards. Anything will be better than widespread spraying and widespread pesticide dumping.