
Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District

POLICY MANUAL

POLICY TITLE: Mosquito and Vector Control Regulations

POLICY NUMBER: 4010

4010.1 The District conducts its activities under the authority of the California Health and Safety Code (HSC) Sections 2000-2093 and operates under a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Public Health pursuant to HSC section 116180.

4010.2 It is the policy of this District to be in regulatory compliance with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations and local ordinances governing the conduct of District operations.

4010.2.1 In the event a local jurisdiction enacts an ordinance, law, or regulation (including a regulation adopted by the use of an initiative measure) which conflicts with State or Federal authority, the Board of Trustees, upon consultation with the District's legal counsel, will act in the overall best interests of the District and direct the District Manager to abide by the superior authority.

4010.3 On August 10, 2011, the Board of Trustees approved the District's Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). The District's preferred alternative is to conduct mosquito and vector control according to and in compliance with the District's Integrated Vector Management Program.

4010.3.1 Environmental awareness training requirement. The District shall assure that each District employee who performs vector surveillance and/or control activities in the field has received environmental awareness training. Initial training shall be done before the employee begins field work and the training shall be completed within 45 days thereafter. Training shall be renewed annually.

4010.3.1.1 Environmental awareness training must cover, at a minimum, the following information:

- (1) Overview of federal and state laws governing endangered and threatened species protection.
- (2) Identification of threatened and endangered species listed within the District's service area.
- (3) Description of habitat where such listed endangered or threatened species may occur within those portions of the District's service area where the employee might work.
- (4) The meaning of "incidental take": when reporting is required.
- (5) Current and accepted methods to avoid or minimize damage or harm to such listed species, including incidental take.

4010.3.1.2 Verification of training. The date and extent of initial and annual training given to the employee and the job to be assigned shall be recorded. The record shall be

verified by the employee's signature and retained by the District for a minimum of three years at the District's main office.

4010.3.2 Environmental Awareness Coordinator. The District Manager shall designate a District employee as the District's Environmental Awareness Coordinator (EAC).

4010.3.2.1 The District EAC will be responsible for the following:

- (1) Collecting information, at least annually, from appropriate local, state and federal agencies to keep current on listed threatened and endangered species, and their habitats, within the District's boundaries.
- (2) Developing EA training materials and programs.
- (3) Presenting or coordinating the District's EA training program.
- (4) Maintaining a file consisting of photographs of state and federal listed threatened or endangered species, and their habitats, within the District's service area.