

AQUATIC HERBICIDES APPLICATION

The East Columbia Basin Irrigation District (District) will be making aquatic herbicide treatments beginning in May 2024 and continuing through the end of the 2024 irrigation season. These herbicide treatments will be made pursuant to a Department of Ecology Irrigation System Aquatic Weed Control Permit (WAG991010).

The District's service area is located in Moses Lake, Warden and Othello areas of Grant and Adams Counties. The district operates the East Low Canal and its laterals plus some laterals on the Potholes East Canal. 49 locations on various canals, laterals, wasteways and drains within the district's service area will receive these treatments to control the growth of algae, moss and pondweeds. Frequency of treatments varies from as often as biweekly to as seldom as twice per irrigation season depending on location and circumstances. Treatment sites will be posted in accordance with Permit WAG991010 with the name and telephone number of the East Columbia Basin Irrigation District.

The pesticides being used for aquatic weed control are: Magnacide-H (acrolein), Copper sulfate, Aquatic Weed Killer (xylene), Captain and Captain XTR (chelated copper), Argos 8% (chelated copper), F-30 Algae Control (chelated copper) and Clearcast, Cascade, and Teton (endothall). Water remains suitable for irrigation use during aquatic herbicide treatments. Treated water is not suitable for drinking or swimming.

Individuals desiring additional information about these treatments should contact the District's main office in Othello at (509) 488-9671 and ask to speak to the Water Quality Supervisor or Secretary-Manager. Inquires may also be directed to Danielle Edelman, Department of Ecology Headquarters, telephone (360) 407-7118, fax: (360) 407-6426, email: Danielle.edelman@ecy.wa.gov.

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