

WATER MANAGEMENT FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL



WHAT WE DO

- Mosquitos breed in stagnant water (water that doesn't flow)
- Clogged ditches create stagnant water conditions
- We clear blockages from drainage ditches to reduce mosquito breeding habitat
- Source reduction can reduce the amount of insecticides needed to control mosquitos



HOW WE DO IT

- Assess conditions and evaluate potential projects:
Will mosquito breeding be reduced? Will environmental impacts be avoided or minimized?
- Communicate with landowners and regulators and obtain any necessary permits
- Follow Best Management Practices (BMPs) and all applicable environmental regulations
- Use low-ground pressure machinery and/or hand tools, depending on location and conditions
- Use suitable erosion controls and monitor project sites



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