SUTTER-YUBA MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT
MOSQUITOFISH STOCKING POLICY

Mosquitofish, *Gambusia affinis*, are routinely utilized by state-certified mosquito control technicians to abate mosquito production in the following mosquito habitats:

- drainage ditches
- industrial, ornamental and artificial ponds
- semi-permanent and permanent urban sources
- rice fields and other irrigated agricultural property
- unused or abandoned swimming pools, spas and saunas
- wetlands
- any other appropriate mosquito sources not specifically identified above

To help reduce unwanted environmental impacts, certified mosquito control technicians refrain from introducing mosquitofish into mosquito sources suspected or known to be habitats for endangered or threatened species, or into sources where they can readily migrate to habitats occupied by threatened or endangered species.

By law, mosquito control technicians can place mosquitofish in sources other than those located on private property.

The District provides **free** mosquitofish to Sutter and Yuba County residents for placement exclusively at property under their control or ownership. District personnel will determine the applicability and quantity of fish necessary to stock various residential mosquito sources.

Acceptable residential sites include:

- ornamental ponds
- fountains
- unused swimming pools
- unused spas and saunas
- animal watering troughs
- residential ponds
- any other appropriate mosquito sources not specifically identified above.

IT IS AGAINST CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME REGULATIONS FOR PRIVATE CITIZENS TO PLANT MOSQUITOFISH INTO WATERS OF THE STATE WITHOUT A PERMIT. DO NOT INTRODUCE MOSQUITOFISH TO RIVERS, LAKES OR CREEKS.

For further information

Anyone interested in obtaining mosquitofish, for use in approved areas, should contact the Sutter-Yuba Mosquito & Vector Control District at (530) 674-5456 ext 0

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