

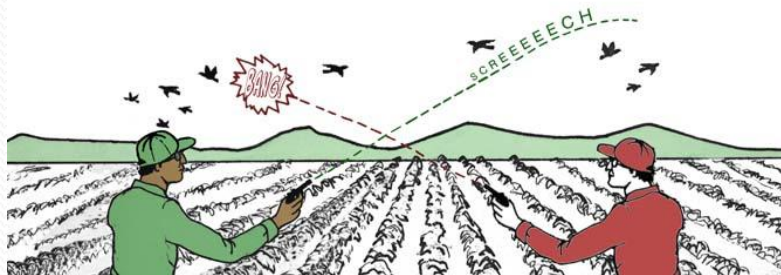
Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner's Office

June Laws and Regs Update
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Avian Pests

- **Bird Whistlers**[®] have recently been reclassified to exempt status. These products are no longer regulated by ATF and therefore will not require cooperators to hold explosives licenses/permits.
- Safe storage will not be inspected or regulated either.
- Users are encouraged to continue storing Whistlers following the guidelines for explosives.

Bird Bombs[®] & Bird Whistlers[®]



Fumigation Update

- Township cap for 1,3-D increased to 270,000 again for 34W.
- SBCAC has new permit conditions for chemigation with straight pic. We also will be allowing shank application of straight pic under TIF/VIF this season.
- The EPA Phase II labels are expected soon and the new requirements should be effective for next years fumigation season.
- More restrictions on fumigants=less choice for growers.

Impaired Water Bodies

- Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board conducted water monitoring from 2000-2006.
- 5 local bodies of water were found to be impaired with Chlorpyrifos.
- The Chlorpyrifos seems to be persistent and is killing water fleas.
- CCRWQB is concentrating on the use of Lorsban 15G as the probable cause of the impairment.
- DPR and local CAC's have been asked to work with industry to determine viable solutions to reduce the problem.

Water Continued

- CAC has searched PUR's to gather a list of local growers who use Lorsban 15G.
- CAC will be contacting the growers to determine application method, application timing and other information about the use of Lorsban 15G.
- CAC would like to work with the users of Lorsban 15G to find possible solutions to keep the Chlorpyrifos out of the water.