



The American Mosquito Control Association (AMCA) and its state and local affiliated organizations, as well as related stakeholders advocated in support for critical bipartisan regulatory relief measures relating to duplicative permitting under the Clean Water Act (CWA) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) in the Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018 (H.R. 2). These provisions in Sec. 9117 in the House passed bill would have fostered the protection of public health and natural resources as well as provide regulatory relief to our nation's farmers.

The NPDES permitting requirement has had negative impacts on mosquito control programs throughout the nation charged with controlling these populations and guarding their communities against vector-borne diseases.

AMCA while working closely with many House and Senate advocates were disappointed that these critical NPDES provisions were not adopted as part of the final Farm Bill Conference Report. AMCA does appreciate the efforts of key members of Congress that worked closely on this important issue, with the recognition that requirement of a NPDES permit is redundant, time-consuming, and a costly burden on mosquito control districts in the safeguarding of public health.

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