

NAPA COUNTY GRAND JURY REPORT 1973

NAPA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

The committee met with district manager, William Rusconi, on September 28, 1972, at the Mosquito Abatement office, 964 Imola Avenue. The office and operations buildings are located on the Napa Sanitation grounds and are under a 50-year lease from the district. The Mosquito Abatement District consists of the Manager, Mr. William Rusconi, and a five-member Board of Trustees whose terms run for two years. There are, at the present time, six employees and this is expected to remain the same. The district has been in continuous operation since 1925 when it was formed under code section 2200-2398.

The annual audit was made by William A. Kezer, CPA, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The tax rate for the year 1971-72 was established at \$.04 per \$100 assessed valuation compared to \$.05 for the year 1970-71. The tax rate for the year 1972-73 has been set at \$.03 per \$100. As of June 30, 1972, the district cash balance was \$60,169.38 compared to \$44,138.47. The fund balance appears sufficient to cover expenditures for the first six months until district revenues become available. There is a new program that is being developed that will certify all employees that work for the Mosquito Abatement District so that they are schooled thoroughly on the use of insecticides and the amounts of the various insecticides to use at a given time. This schooling will be upgraded on an annual basis so that employees will be well informed. Mr. Rusconi is very much in favor of this program.

Mr. Rusconi is a very well-informed man regarding all of the mosquito problems in Napa County. We feel fortunate that the County has a man of his caliber and qualifications managing this very important function of county government. The grounds and equipment all appear to be in excellent condition and well maintained. It was a pleasure for the committee to talk to Mr. Rusconi and we feel we gained considerable knowledge regarding his operation.

We have no recommendations for improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

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