

LEE COUNTY MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS



April, 2016



April 7th—Board Meeting, 10:00 am

April 20th—CPR & AED Classes, 8-11 am & 12-3 pm

April 26th—SW Reg. Workshop. Arboviral Surveillance

From Jon Hornby. The Field Validation Dept. (FVAL) has been working with Al Bennett and Tom Peters to fine tune the swath pattern of our granular ship (N866). This ship has the commercial version of the rotary gate delivery system from AGNAV which Gene Sutton of LCMCD designed. Because of differences in the AGNAV gate upgrade over our prototype, we are modifying the delivery vanes of the applicator. Rachel Morreale, Jessica Berman and Mike Nichols have collected the swath pattern data while Al Bennett and Tom Peters have been evaluating the swath pattern and developing modification strategies to improve the pattern.



Above is a Picture of the Delivery Vane Applicator

March 15th, Amy Williams, of the *Fort Myers News Press*, commissioned a bus that took a group of people for a "Guided Tour" to look over different areas of Lee County. She invited Shelly Redovan, Lee County Mosquito/Hyacinth Control Districts, to join their bus at 10:15 am to tour through our compound to look at our aircraft, mix-load building, chicken coops, fish house, view helicopter maintenance area and loop through our runway, a look at vehicle maintenance and a drive through our quad to show our trucks and airboats. Their bus carried approximately 30 people.

March 16th was the Annual EPA Regulatory Tour. The attendees had a Yard Tour by Exec. Director Gale; a presentation of Mosquito Operations by Milton Sterling and Ed Foley; a ride to Beautiful Island where Jon Hornby explained mosquito details, a boat demonstration by Aquatic Plant Management at Harnes Marsh by Kevin Watts and an Aquatic Water Quality Lab tour by Ernesto Lasso de la Vega, Brian Murphy, one of our Teachers, gave a power-point presentation on what is being taught in the Lee County School System.



A question and answer session was held after lunch



ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
January	10,857.0	0.0	5.8	308.1	70.0
February	52,259.0	34,886.0	43.0	218.0	378.0
March					148.0
April					
May					
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					
Y-T-D Totals					

Please welcome Jessica Goodstein as a part-time Laboratory Technician. Jessica started on Monday, February 29th and will be working the duration of the Spring Semester. Jessica will be reporting to Ernesto Lasso de la Vega, Water Quality Laboratory Manager.

Shelly Redovan had a group of 20 students from Island Coast High School for a visit. After viewing our LCM/HCD District Video, Shelly provided a tour followed by a mosquito project. They were a great group.

March 24th, Exec. Director Wayne Gale gave a Lee County Mosquito and Lee County Hyacinth Control Presentation to the North Ft. Myers Rotary's breakfast meeting.

March 1st, Shelly Redovan hosted a tour and the viewing of our website video for LCMCD and LCHCD to the SWFL Chapter of the Florida Relations Association. They were here from 11am to 2 pm.



March 24th, Island Coast ESE Dept., had their 3rd Annual GATO-RAMA; A SALUTE TO HEROES. This Salute was held at their football field and five (5) area zone high school students were in attendance. This day is help to show the students our heroes in daily living; such as, policemen, firemen, EMT and EMS personnel and business workers from all walks of life. LCM/HCD sent a helicopter, a spray boat, and a tanker truck for demonstration. The students were able to mingle with these service workers and ask questions about their jobs and the type of work they do. It was a good day for all the students.

