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Ms. Tiffany Anderson
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RE: San Joaquin County Mosquito & Vector Control

Dear Ms. Tiffany Anderson:

Thank you for your correspondence to the Office of the Attorney General regarding a special district. We always appreciate hearing from citizens on matters of public concern.

It is our general policy that local governments are primarily responsible for citizen complaints against their employees or agencies, and that appropriate local resources should be utilized for the resolution of such complaints.

Special districts are a form of local government established by the residents of an area to provide a service not provided by the county or city. Special districts are primarily accountable to the voters who elect their boards of directors and the customers who use their services.


We suggest that you first address your complaint to the board of directors and/or manager of the special district. If this does not lead to a satisfactory resolution, we suggest that you contact your representatives on the county Board of Supervisors and/or the City Council for assistance.

If you have evidence of criminal misconduct, you may wish to contact the local district attorney in the area where the alleged crime occurred. The district attorney has primary responsibility for the investigation and prosecution of alleged violations of state laws. You may also want to share this information with your county grand jury. In California, grand juries have the authority to investigate allegations of misconduct on the part of local agencies.

Finally, if you have concerns about the legality of an action taken by a special district, or if you need assistance in resolving a dispute with a special district, we recommend that you consult with a private attorney.

We hope that this information will be helpful. Thank you again for contacting our office.

Sincerely,


Kimberly McCrickard
Public Inquiry Unit

For **KAMALA D. HARRIS**
Attorney General



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GENERAL FORM COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

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