Problems In Clearance And Registration Of Herbicides For Aquatic Areas¹

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THE PROBLEM

A major crisis faces fish culture, wildlife habitat improvement, and plant species management of aquatic areas in the development, registration, and use of pesticides, drugs and other chemicals. Congress has strengthened legislation on uses of chemicals which may result in the pollution of water or the contamination of food and feeds. Certain agencies of the U.S. Departments of Health, Education, and Welfare; Agriculture Interior and the Environmental Protection Agency have been given additional responsibilities for investigating the safe and efficacious use of chemicals. There are two basic Federal statutes: The Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and The Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with a number of new amendments. These statutes supplement each other and are interrelated by law and practical operation as provided for in the 1964 three-way agreement among USDA, HEW, and USDI (Rohrman, 1968). Recent public concern for the use of drugs and pesticides and their attendant effects on public health and environmental quality is presenting the regulatory agencies with a tremendous task of carefully reviewing the registration of thousands of pesticide and drug formulations—these include chemicals used in water and fisheries. Lennon (1967) called attention to the registration problems facing the fish culturists and biologists in the management practices at Federal, State, and private levels. Further, in our survey of chemicals used by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, 95 different chemicals are involved in various fishery management programs of which only a small handful have a legitimate status of registration and a practical label for use (Table 1). Thus, we are faced with two problems: developing chemical tools for managing and enhancing sport fisheries, wildlife, and aquatic oriented recreation, and conversely-preventing contamination of or adverse effects on either water quality, wildlife, fish, the aquatic environment and man's recreational pursuit and health.

BACKGROUND

We are responsible for researching, conserving, utilizing, and protecting the sport fishery and water resources of the United States (Table 2). Federal, State, and even local legislation authorizes the control, eradication, or restriction of distribution of many pest species. In addition to the Federal legislative statutes applying to pesticide and drug regulation of use (USDA), HEW, 1968; Rohrman, 1968), there are a number of State regulations of pesticide use (Table 3) which must be reconciled with the existing Federal and State legislative authorities responsible for pest control. In the case of aquatic weeds, there are several Federal and State laws and regulations affecting the

portation, domestic movement, or quarantine of obnoxious plants. The recent 'Carlson Bill' authorized Federal agencies to conduct weed control activities and also provides for reimbursement of State weed control programs. Some uniformity in weed control laws may result as well as coordination of State and Federal control programs.

We have relied extensively on chemical tools in the establishment and maintenance of sport fisheries. In reviewing the statistics compiled in the National Survey of Needs for Hatchery Fish (1968) and the ORRRC Report (1962) we see the magnitude of both the fishery potential and the attendant fishery management needs and problems in the years 1965 to the year 2000 (Tables 4 and 5). Trends in a distribution of water available for fishing are also expected to change. Although fishing waters to be stocked and managed will exceed 90 million acres, the fishing pressure will be in excess of 1 billion man-days (Tables 5 and 6). In addition to the greater needs for hatchery production and intensive cultural techniques, greater emphasis will be placed on the management. This is especially true of warmwater reservoirs which must absorb an increase in fishing pressure of over 200 percent by the year 2000.

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Fish husbandry and fishery management are essential for meeting the growing recreational needs of the increasing population of sportsmen. However, we must intensify our research on cultural and management tools. We must also reconcile ourselves to the philosophy that man has changed and will continue to alter his environment and is an integral part of the ecosystem which he must manage for survival. The use of chemical tools is required for attaining maximum yield by necessary manipulation of certain biological features of the aquatic ecosystem.

Out of the array of herbicides with aquatic use labels, previously, only copper sulfate was unrestricted for use in water and fisheries. This was primarily based on the provision that copper is one of the few pesticides which was exempt from requirements of a tolerance. However, all new herbicides and those previously registered were on a 'no residue" basis under the old registration requirements. The "no residue" provision on labels were often registered without data for 'non-food use" or when officials concluded that residues would not be expected by the analytical methods considered adequate at that time. Others, of course, were registered based on the information existing at that time when the toxicity was considered to be of a low order. However, the new amendments to the Federal Insecticide and Rodenticide Act now requires that petitions for negligible residue tolerances must be made on all labels other than those deemed a a 'non-food use" at the time application for registration of the pesticide is made to USDA. Currently no herbicide has a residue tolerance limit established in fish, shellfish or in water.

Further, we have been informed by USDA that as of the

'Table 1. Summary of Chemicals Used in Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife Programs According to the 1966 Survey of 71 Fish Hatcheries, 34 Wildlife Refuges, Fishery Service Units, 14 State Federal Aid Units and 2 Fishery Laboratories by Schoettger and Hunn (1967).

Chemical name (synonym) Type of use	Federal Aid	Fishery Research	Fishery Services	Fish Hatcheries	Wildlife Refuges	Total
SIMAZINE (PRIMATOL 5)®				00		44
No. responses No. users	8	2 - 3	2	32	_	44 38
pounds gallons	3,100 —	<u>3</u>	1,000	4,337	_	8,440
COPPER SULFATE					_	
No. responses	7		2	31 —	2	42 38
No. users pounds	11,510	Ξ	_	_	750	34,9 56
gallons	· –	_	-	_	-	_
2,4-D			•		- 4	41
No. responses	4	_	2	21 —	14	41 33
No. users pounds	20,700	_	=	_		12,750
gallons	167	-	_	84	12,500	23,373
DIURON (KARMEX®)	_					00
No. responses	1	<u>2</u>	3	26	1_	33 26
No. users pounds	_	15	1,000	3,240	30	4,285
gallons	_	-	-	_		_
DALAPON (DOWPON®)	_					
No. responses	1	-	-	17	_	31 28
No. users pounds	_	_	~	1,386	9,033	10,429
gallons	_	_	-	10	_	10
DIQUAT	_		_		_	-
No. responses	7	-	3	11 —	1	22 17
No. users pounds	_	_		_	_	
gallons	29	-	33	92	_	154
ENDOTHAL, DISODIUM						•
(AQUATHOL®) No. responses	4	_	3	8	_	15
No. users		_	-	_	—	9
pounds	-	-	_	2,133	· -	2,133
gallons	_	-	20	80	-	100
2,4,5-T No. responses	1	_		7	5	13
No. users	<u>-</u>		_	<u>-</u>		12
pounds	-	_	_	- 49	6,710	6.710 49
gallons	_	_		45	_	45
SILVEX No. responses	1	_	2	2	8	13
No. users		_		_	_	12
pounds	- 2	-	_	50	2,470	2,520
gallons	Z	_	14	20	24	60
SODIUM ARSENITE	5			5		10
No. responses No. users	-	_	_	-	_	9
pounds	2,800	-	-	· . 		2,800
gallons	1,375	_		435	-	1,810
DICHLOBENIL (CASORON®)	7			7		
No. responses No. users	<u>I</u>	_	<u> </u>	_	_	
pounds	1,000	-	<u> </u>	2,737	 ,	3,737
gallons	-	-	· 	- ·	_	·
ATRAZINE (AATREX®)				· ດ		
No. responses No. users	_	-	- -	<u>2</u>	2	6 6
pounds		_	1,000	620	873	2,493
gallons		_	_		_	

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Chemical name (synonym) Type of use	Federal Aid	Fishery Research	Fishery Services	Fish Hatcheries	Wildlife Refuges	Total
DELRAD (ROSIN-AMINE D ACETATE)						
No. responses	I	-	_	5	_	6
No. users	-	_	_	_	-	5 20
pounds gallons	_	- -	_	20 155	=	155
DICHLONE (PHYGON®)				۵		٥
No. responses No. users	_	-	_	3	_	3 3
pounds	_	_	_	95	_	95
gallons	_	_	_	_	-	_
AMMONIA						
No. responses	2	-	_			2
No. users	_		_	_	-	1
pounds	500	-	_	_	-	500
gallons		_	_	_		-
AMITROLE (AMITROL-T®) No. responses	_	===	_		2	2
No. users	_		_		-	2
pounds: Sale 4	_	_	_	_	2,750	2,750
gallons	-	-	-	_	-	_
TRIFLURALIN (TREFLAN®)						_
No. responses	-	-	_	-	2	2 2
No. users	-		_	_	 125	125
pounds gallons	=	_	=	_	40	40
CITRIC ACID						
No. responses	_		_	2	_	2
No. users	-	_				
pounds	-	-	-	300	-	300
gallons	_	_		_	-	_
PROPANIL (STAM F-34®)					1	1
No. responses No. users	_	_	-	-	1	1
pounds	_	_	_	_	_	<u>.</u>
gallons	_	_	_		350	350
COPPER CITRATE						
No. responses	-	-	_	1	-	1
No. users	_	_	_		-	1
pounds gallons	_	_	_	250	_	250
2,4-DB (BUTYRAC®)						
No. responses	•	_	·	_	1	1
No. users		_	_	_	_	1
pounds		-		-	80	80
gallons	_		_	-	-	_
ENDOTHALL, MONOALKYLAM (HYDROTHOL 191®)	INE					
No. responses	-	_	_	-	1	1
No. users	-	-	_	_	_	_
pounds	-	_	-	-	_	_
gallons	_	_	-	-	_	_

date of this WSSA Meeting, no requests for extension of the following herbicides and uses has been made—thus, they are up for cancellation:

Recently, in response to the submittals made by certain members of our Interagency Ad Hoc Committee on Use of Herbicides in Aquatic Sites, the Pesticide Regulation Division of the Environmental Protection Agency extended certain "no-residue, zero-tolerance" aquatic pesticide uses as follows:

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"... we are extending until further notice, but in no event beyond December 31, 1971, the effective date for finite tolerance requirements for the following chemicals when used in aquatic areas:

Ammonium sulfamate
Copper sulphate
Dichlobenil
Dichlone
2,4-D
2,4-DP
Monosodium and methane arsonate
Diquat dibromide
Diuron
Endothall
Monuron
Petroleum solvents
Silvex
Xylene "

Acrolein

TITLE

Fish and Wildlife Act (1956) 70 Stat. 1119, as amended 16 U.S.C. 742a-742j

Pesticide Research Act (1958)
72 Stat. 479, as amended
16 U.S.C. 742d-1 (for latest amendment see
P.L. 90-398 (82 Stat. 338) July 11, (1968)

Fish and Dildlife Coordination Act (1934) 48 Stat. 401, as amended

Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (1958) 72 Stat. 563, as amended 16 U.S.C. 661-666c

Eradication and Control of Predatory and other Wild Animals Act (1931)
46 Stat. 1468
7 U.S.C. 426-426b

Cooperative Research and Training Units Act (1960) 74 Stat. 733, as amended 16 U.S.C. 753a-753b

Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act (Dingell-Johnson Act) (1950) 64 Stat. 430, as amended 16 U.S.C. 777-777k

Studies on Sea Lamprey Control and Eradication Act (1956) 60 Stat. 930, as amended 16 U.S.C. 921

Dogfish Shark Eradication Act (1958) 72 Stat. 1710 16 U.S.C. 758a note

Research into the Diminution of Food Fishes and Research in Lessening Damage Done by Fishes (1871) 16 Stat. 594, as amended 16 U.S.C. 744-745

Authorization to make grants for support of basic scientific research Act (1958)
72 Stat. 1793
42 U.S.C. 1891-1893

The Water Resources Act (1964) P.L. 88-372, as amended P.L. 89-404 (April 19, 1966)

The Federal Water Pollution Control Act of June 30, 1948 62 Stat. 1155 33 U.S.C. 446a-466b et seq The Federal Water Pollution Control

Act (1961)
P.L. 84-660, as amended

The Water Quality Act of 1965 P.L. 89-234 The Oil Pollution Act of 1924

33 U.S.C. 431 et seq The Clean Water Research Act (1966) P.L. 89-753

INTENT OR USE

General authority for conducting investigations, and or assistance to other agencies, administer policies, procedures and programs, and report activities.

Specific authority to undertake comprehensive continuing studies of the effects of pesticides (insecticides, herbicides, fungicides and pest control agents) upon fish and wildlife and the amounts, percentages, mixtures, or formulations that can be used safely, and thereby prevent losses of fish and wildlife from such spraying, dusting, or other treatment.

Authorizes coordination and cooperation of agencies in the conservation, maintenance, and management of wildlife resources and conduct investigations on effects of polluting substances, provide assistance and make surveys or investigations of the wildlife resources, provide consultation on impounding, diverting, or controlling water and exercise administration over the wildlife resources.

Authorization for conducting investigations, experiments and tests deemed necessary to demonstrate, determine, and promulgate the best methods of eradication, suppression, or bringing under control wildlife injurious to man's interests in cooperation with States, individuals, organizations, etc.

Develop adequate, cooperative and coordinated research and training programs in cooperation with colleges and universities with game and fish departments of the States and with non-profit organizations relating to cooperative research units.

Authorization to cooperate with the States through their fish and game departments in fish restoration and management projects with federal aid apportioned according to the provisions of Title 26 for expenses of investigations and administration, approval and regulation of research and management projects as directed by the Secretary of Interior.

Authorization to investigate the predatory sea lamprey develop control measures and eradicate or eliminate them from the Great Lakes.

Authorize the investigation of the abundance and distribution of dogfish sharks, experiments to develop control measures, and program to eliminate and eradicate them or development of economic uses of dogfish shark populations.

Authorization to prosecute investigations and inquiries into the diminution of food fishes, ascertain causes, or develop protective measures to establish the fisheries and markets for them.

Authorize the head of each agency of the Federal Government to enter into contracts for basic research at nonprofit institutions of higher education, or at nonprofit organizations whose purpose is the conduct of scientific research.

Authorizes extra-mural research on economic, legal, social, engineering, recreational, biological, ecological, and other types of activity in solving problems in water conservation.

Directs the Secretary to undertake research in three areas: 1) means of treating municipal sewage and other water borne wastes; 2) methods to improve identification and measurement of the effects of pollution; and 3) techniques for evaluating effects of water quality and water uses of augmented streamflows to control water pollution. We give municipalities, industry, and other private, State or Federal agencies our technical assistanve in amelioration or solution of pollution problems. Portions of pesticide research and monitoring programs are conducted in cooperation with other Federal and State agencies. Research contracts and those conducted inhouse are funded in the following broad categories: 1) physical and chemical identification of pollutants; 2) biological identification of pollutants; 3) sources of pollutants 4) fate of pollutants in surface waters; 5) fate of pollutants in ground water; 6) water quality requirements for fish and other aquatic life; and 7) dissolved refractory organics removal.

Table 3: A Summary by Douglas F. Rohrman (1968) of State Pesticide Laws and Legal Implications of Pesticide Use.

STATE	REGISTRATION LAWS	USE AND APPLICATION LAWS
ALABAMA	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1951)	 Alabama Professional Applicators Law (1953, as amended) Regulations concerning Professional Applications (1953)
ALASKA		
ARIZONA	Pesticide Act (1956) with rules and regulations	1. Arizona Pest Control Applicators Act (1953, as amended)
ARKANSAS	Economic Poisons Act (1947) with regulations	 Regulations on the Control of 2,4-D 2,4,5-T (1959, as amended (amended 1966) Arkansas Agricultural Application Service Licensing Law (1961) (revised 1966) Pest Control License Law (1951) Pest Control Law (1965) Regulations of State Plant Board
CALIFORNIA	 Agricultural Code Sections 1061-1079 California Administrative Code (Economic Poisons) Department o fAgriculture Regulations Injurious Materials 	 California Injurious Materials Law (1949, as amended) with regulations Regulations pertaining to Injurious Herbicides (1962) Regulations: Agricultural Pest Control Business (1961, as amended with regulations concerning Agricultural Pest Control Operators)
COLORADO	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1947)	Custom Application Law (1961)
CONNECTICUT	Pesticide Law (1963)	 Aerial application of Insecticides, Fungicides, Herbicides and Fertilizers (1958) Connecticut Tree Expert Law (1959) Connecticut Law Limiting the Discard of Pesticides (1961) Custom Applicators Act (1963)
DELAWARE		
FLORIDA	Pesticide Act (1953) (revised, 1966)	 Regulations: Commercial Spraying of Lawns and Ornamentals (1959) Residential Pesticide Sprayings Florida Structural Pest Control Act (1959, as amended) Regulations of Board of Health
GEORGIA	Economic Poisons Act (1949)	Structural Pest Control Act (1955, amended) with regulations
HAWAII	Economic Poisons Act (1945) (revised, 1966)	Herbicide Sale and Use Act (1949, as amended) with regulations
IDAHO	Economic Poisons Act (1962)	 Illinois Herbicide Law (1959) Custom Application of Pesticides (1965) Custom Spray Law (1966)
INDIANA	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Regulations No. 2 Aeronautics Commission of Indiana
IOWA	Pesticide Act (1963) with regulations	Section 5 and 6 of Pesticide Act (1963)
KANSAS	 Agricultural Chemical Act (1947) Livestock Remedy Law 	 Kansas Aerial Spraying Law (1953, as amended) Kansas Pest Control Act (1953, as amended) with regulations Kansas Chemical Spray Law (1963)
KENTUCKY	 Economic Poisons Law (1956) Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law 	Kentucky Termite and Pest Control Industry Law (1960) (Kentucky Structural Pest Control Act)

(Table 3 continued)

STATE	REGISTRATION LAWS	USE AND APPLICATION LAWS					
LOUISIANA	Pesticide Act (1952)	 Louisiana Herbicide Law (1954) with regulations Custom Applications of Pesticides (1964) Ornamental Spraying Law (1965) Structural Pest Control Law (1960) 					
MAINE	Economic Poisons Law (1952)	Regulation of Pesticides (1963)					
MARYLAND	Pesticide Law (1958)	· ,					
MASSACHUSETTS	 Pesticide Law (1961) Labeling of DDT Preparations (1947) 	 Law Licensing Persons Applying Chemicals to Waters (1960) Pesticide Board Rules and Regulations (1962) 					
MICHIGAN	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rdenticide Act (1949)	 Michigan 2,4-D Act (1959) Michigan Custom Applicators Law (1959) Equipment Operator's Act (1959) 					
MINNESOTA	Economic Poisons and Devices Law (1945)	Minnesota Custom Applicators Law (1953, as amended) (revised 1966)					
MISSISSIPPI	Economic Poisons Act (1950)	 Law Regulating Application of Hormone type Herbicide by Aircraft (1952, as amended) with regulations Professional Pest Control Operators Law (1938) with regulations 					
MISSOURI	Economic Poisons Act (1955)						
MONTANA	Economic Poisons Act (1947, as amended)						
NEBRASKA	Economic Poison Law (1961)						
NEVADA	Economic Poison Law (1955) with regulations	Nevada Custom Pest Control Operators Law (1955) with regulations					
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Economic Poisons Law (1949)	Pesticide Control Law (1966)					
NEW JERSEY	Economic Poison Act (1951)						
NEW MEXICO	Economic Poison Act (1951)	Pesticide Applicators Law (1965)					
NEW YORK	Pesticide Law (1960)	 Water Quality Standards Law Pesticides in Grape Vineyards Law (1963, as amended) 					
NORTH CAROLINA	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1947)	 North Carolina Aerial Crop-Dusting Law (1953) with regulations North Carolina Structural Pest Control Act (1955) 					
NORTH DAKOTA	 Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1947) Livestock Medicine Law (1943) 	 North Dakota Pesticides Damage Claim Act (1955) Aerial Spraying, Dusting, Fertilizing and Insect Control Law (1957) Regulations of the Aeronautics Commission (1957) 					
ОНІО	 Economic Poisons Act (1966) Livestock Remedies Law (1949) 	Ohio 2,4-D Law (1961)					
OKLAHOMA	Pesticides Law (1955)	 Oklahoma Pesticide Applicators Law (1961) with regulations Ornamental Spraying or Pruning (1965) Phenoxy Herbicides (1965) Structural Pest and Termite Control Law (1955) with regulations 					

STATE	REGISTRATION LAWS	USE AND APPLICATION LAWS
OREGON	Economic Poisons Act (1953)	 Control of Application of Agricultural Herbicides and Insecticides Law (1953, as amended) Herbicide Tax Law (1961)
PENNSYLVANIA	Pesticide Act (1957)	
RHODE ISLAND	Economic Poisons Law (1951)	Custom Applicators Act (1963)
SOUTH CAROLINA	Economic Poisons Law (1953)	
SOUTH DAKOTA	 Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1947) Poison Law (1939) 	South Dakota Spraying and Dusting Law (1953)
TENNESSEE	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1951)	Tennessee Pest Control Act (1955, as amended) with regulations
TEXAS	 Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1963) Livestock Remedy Act 	Texas Herbicide Law (1953, as amended) with regulations
UTAH	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1951)	Utah Economic Poison Application Act (1951) with regulations
VERMONT	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1947)	Vermont Aeronautic Commission Regulations (1949)
VIRGINIA	Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (1948)	
WASHINGTON	Agricultural Pesticide Act (1961)	 Pesticide Act (1961) Pesticide Application Act (1961) amended, 1967 Regulations Relating to Commercial Applicators (1961) Regulations: Use of Toxic Insecticides (1952)
WEST VIRGINIA	Economic Poison Law (1961)	
WISCONSIN	Economic Poison Law (1951)	Pest Control Operator's Law (S.3. 172 - Feb. 24, 1967) (Pending)
WYOMING	Economic Poison Law (1943, as amended)	Aerial Spraying Registration Regulations (1951)

Thus, by the first of January 1971, as previously pointed out by Hayes (1969) and McClure (1969), in order for any aquatic herbicide to be registered, they must either have a tolerance established, or judged to be exempt from a tolerance, or proven that use will not contaminate food and water to be defined as a non-food use.

Because of the lack of intensive research on cultural and management tools, fish culturists and management biologists have tended to borrow tools and techniques from other disciplines. Obviously, many chemicals are being used in fish culture and management in a very promiscuous, if not outright illegal manner. Fortunately, these uses involve small quantities of material and are isolated geographically in most instances. Some operational programs are being carried out under the guise of experimental use of these chemicals. However, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act provides for exemption of pesticides used for experimental purposes without a temporary permit by State and Federal agencies. The Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, on the other hand, is quite specific in its regulations of experimental use of drugs. The

'Miller Amendment" also is quite explicit in that the animals or food contaminated in these tests must be destroyed. This alone should negate the use of these chemicals in any operational or management program resulting in contamination of potable water, meat, eggs, poultry, milk, fish, shellfish, and irrigated crops. Since no residue tolerance limits have been established in water, shellfish or fish, even a detectable trace of pesticide or drug is an illegal residue. All pesticides had to comply with the new regulations by January 1, 1970. This applies to the former 'no residue' labels which require making a petition to establish residue tolerance limit or submitting satisfactory evidence that the use pattern does not involve food and is judged a 'nonfood" use (Ward, 1960; Roe, 1960; McClure, 1969; Hayes, 1969; Cummings, 1969; Stokes, 1969). Chemicals defined as food additives and drugs, according to regulations under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, now must be re-examined and classified as a new drug or as an old drug. In either case, adequate safety to public health must be assured by substantial evidence of its relative toxicity, efficacious use, and disappearance of harmful residues. The

TABLE 4: DATA FROM THE ORRRC REPORT 7 AND THE NATIONAL SURVEY OF NEEDS FOR HATCHERY FISH SHOWING TRENDS IN DATER DISTRIBUTION AND DEVELOPMENT WHICH WILL AFFECT SPORT FISHING OPPORTUNITIES.

Type of Water	Thousands of Acres Reported in the						
ORRRC	Report 7 (1960)	Hatchery Survey (1965)					
Cold waters	52,772	54,221					
Public waters	52,635	54,022					
Streams	6,559	4,498					
49 States	1,520	993					
Alaska	5,039	3,505					
Lakes, ponds, and							
reservoirs	46,076	49,524					
49 States	2,300	3,463					
Alaska	7,36 0	7,361					
Great Lakes	38,878	38,700					
Private waters	137	199					
Warm waters	23,610	27,421					
Public waters	20,588	24,693					
Streams	3,375	4,992					
Lakes, ponds, and							
reservoirs	17,183	19 ,7 01					
Private waters	3,052	2,728					
Total for cold and	<u>-</u>						
warm waters	76,382	81,642					
Total public waters	73,193	78,715					
Total streams	9,934	9,490					
Total lakes, ponds,							
and reservoirs	63,259	69,225					
Total private waters	3,189	2,927					
Total for coastal shoreling	ne						
(3-mile limit)1/		69,956					
Total 22 states		40,903					
Total Alaska		29,053					
Total for freshwater and	marine waters	151.598					

^{1/} Texas owns to the 12-mile limit

petition requirements were established by USDA and HEW (FDA, 1968, Eisler, 1969; Stokes, 1969) and now administered by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Labels of many chemicals have thus been allowed to expire or have been withdrawn based on the inadequate information to support the claims (Lennon, 1967). In many instances, chemical and pharmaceutical companies now report that hundreds of thousands to millions of dollars are required to develop and register a pesticide, drug, or medication (Anonymous, 1970). This often can not be justified because of profit potentials are apt to be comparatively small in relation to the very high costs for their development (Lynn, 1960); Lennon, 1967; Meyer, 1967).

Since I am participating in this panel to discuss the specific interest of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, this is an appropriate place to quote the statement of the Department of the Interior on Pesticides:

'The Department of the Interior has the responsibility of assuring maximum protection to the environment.

"The Department will use all its means to reduce pollution resulting from pesticide use.

"It will be the policy of the Department to consider safety and environmental quality as the primary factors in making the decision on whether or not to use a pesticide.

"In areas and programs under its jurisdiction, it will be the policy of the Department to:

- 1. Conform with all provisions of Federal and State pesticide law.
- Not to use chemicals named on attached Prohibited List.
- 3. Use chemicals on attached Restricted List only when: a. non-chemical techniques have been considered and found inadequate, and
 - b. use can be limited to small scale applications.

Table 5: Projection of Numbers of Anglers and Fisherman Days in Thousands (Average Percentage in Parentheses) - After ORRRC REPORT 7 (1962) AND HATCHERY SURVEY (1968).

Census		Total nur	nber of angle	rs at year -		Total number of fisherman days at year				
area	1960	1965	1976	1980	2000	1960	1965	1976	1980	2000
N.E.	1,205	Alle contint to the	1,500	********	3,000	26,269		35,000		70,000
E.N.C.	5,317		8,000		12,000	106,340		170,000		255,000
W.N.C.	2,855		3,300		6,000	41,120		55,000		95,000
Mt.	1,372		2,300		5 , 500	17,561		35,000		80,000
Pac.	2,971		5,025		9,000	47,536		85,000		125,000
Md. Atl.	2,569		3,300		6,000	50,352		70,000		120,000
S. Atl.	3,695		6,225		10,000	86,832		160,000		250,000
E.S.C.	2,207		2,650		4,500	34,649		50,000		75,000
W.S.C.	3,133		4,700		7,000	54,514		90,000	10 to	130,000
Total U.S (1962 dat			37,000		63,000	465,173	Aland angula salah pag	750,000		1,200,000
Cold water	 er	7,295	9,0551/	10,927	15,314	70	,856	86,0641/	100,877	132,388
Warm wa	ter	21,779	27,246	31,598	48,189	315	,441	401,267	471,670	711,103
Salt water	r	12,985	16,902	20,025	29,356	100	,557	131,748	170,942	269,221
Tota	l U.S. 42,05	8 53,20	03 62,5	50 92,8	59	486	,854	619,079	743,489	1,112,712
% Increa	se									
Cold w			(25)	(50)	(120)			(21)	(44)	(87)
Warm	water		(25)	(45)	(110)	-		(27)	(50)	(125)
Salt wa	iter		(30)	(54)	(125)	-		(32)	(71)	(169)
Average	•		(26)	(49)	(120)	_		(26)	(52)	(128)

^{2/} The year for this column of figures is 1973

Table 6: Total Use and Catch Per Surface Acre of Fresh Waters in the 48 Contiguous States for the Years 1960, 1976, and 2000 (ORRRC, 1962).

		1960				1976				2000	
Type of waters1/	Pounds of catch	Fisherman- days	Pounds per sur- face acre	incre	ase Pounds o	f Fisherman- days	Pounds per sur- face acre	increa			Pounds er sur- ce acre
Cold-water streams ² / Warm-water streams ² / Cold-water lakes Warm-water lakes Great Lakes	20,000,000 64,000,000 85,600,000 143,500,000 18,000,000	20,000,000 42,700,000 77,800,000 79,700,000 12,000,000	13 18.9 37.1 21.0 0.5	20 10 10 20 100	24,000,000 70,400,000 94,160,000 172,200,000 36,000,000	34,000,000 48,000,000 94,000,000 96,000,000 24,000,000	16 21 41 25 1	30 20 30 50 300	26,000,000 76,800,000 111,280,000 215,250,000 54,000,000	37,000,000 51,000,000 111,000,000 120,000,000 36,000,000	17 23 48 32 1.5
Cold-water reservoirs: 10 acres and less ³ / 11 acres and over	1,200,000 14,500,000	600,000 13,431,000	87 12.5	0 30	1,200,000 17,400,000	600,000 17,400,000	90 16	20 60	1,560,000 21,750,000	780,000 21,750,000	100 20
Warm-water reservoirs: 10 acres and less ³ / 11 acres and over ⁴ /	54,000,000 121,050,000	50,000,000 83,791,000	35 17.5	50 30	81,000,000 157,355,000	81,000,000 105,000,000	52 23	100 100	108,000,000 242,100,000	108,000,000 162,000,000	70 35
Total To be provided by new impoundments	521,950,000	380,072,000		23	643,715,000 5,115,000,000	500,000,000	23	65 	856,740,000 .5,355,000,000	647,530,000 277,470,000	3 5
Total, including new waters					758,715,000	600,000,000			1,211,740,000	925,000,000	

^{1/}Based on 1960 water area.

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4. Use of any chemical pesticide must be aimed at a specific pest problem and involve minimum strength and frequency of application.

Prohibited List

1707	iioiieu Lisi
Aldrin	Endrin
Amitrol	Heptachlor
Arsenical Compounds	Lindane
(inorganic)	
Azodrin	Mercurial Compounds
Bidrin	Strobane
DDT	Thallium Sulfate
DDD (TDE)	Toxaphene
2,4,5-T`	Dieldrin
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Restricted	d List
Aramite	Kepone
Arsenical Compounds	Methyl parathion
(organic)	
Azinphosmethyl	Mevinphos (Phosdrin)
(Guthion)	
Benzene hexachloride	Mirex
Carbophenothion	Nicotine Compounds
(Trithion)	_
Chlordane	Paraquat
Coumaphos	Parathion
Cyanide Compounds	Phorate (Thimet)
Demeton	Phosphamidon
Diazinon	Picloram
Dioxathion	Sodium Monofluoracetate
Diquat	(1080)
Disulfoton (Di-syston)	Temik
DN compounds such as	TEPP
dinitrocresol	Zectran
Dursban	
Endosulfan	

"Guidelines for Use of Pesticides

- 1. Chemical pesticides should not be used alone when non-chemical or integrated chemical and non-chemical techniques offer an alternative option.
- 2. No pesticide will be used where there is basis for belief that:
 - a. Water quality will be degraded and
 - b. Hazards exist that will unnecessarily threaten fish, wildlife, their food chain or other components of the natural environment.
- 3. Large scale non-specific applications will not be made of any pesticide.
- 4. A contingency plan will be developed for all pesticide storage areas to:
 - a. Prevent pesticide spills from affecting areas outside of the storage areas,
 - b. Take remedial action if the spill extends out from the storage area, and
 - c. Formulate disposal methods.
- 5. Federal, State and local authorities will be kept informed concerning pesticide research and control programs of interest to them and their views will be solicited and considered when formulating our own programs.
- 6. All applications of pesticides will conform to the guidelines and standards of the Pesticides Subcommittee of the Cabinet Committee on the Environment.

"Technical Assistance

The Federal Water Quality Administration, the Geological Survey and the Fish and Wildlife Service will assist in securing compliance with these guidelines.

"Review of Pesticide Programs

Each Interior Bureau which conducts or finances pesticide programs will appoint a pesticide representative to coordinate and review their Bureau's programs.

^{2/}Private streams excluded for incomplete data.

^{3/}Includes private farm ponds.

^{4/}Private reservoirs excluded.

^{5/}New acreage needed by 1976: 5,000,000. 6/New acreage needed by 2000: 10,000,000.

"Reporting Requirements

All Interior Bureaus and Offices are directed to report any potential or actual contamination of the environment from pesticides to that Interior Bureau having statutory authority or responsibility for the abatement of such pollution. If no Interior agency has such authority or responsibility, the condition will be reported to the Intradepartmental Pesticide Working Committee for the attention of the Secretary."

Responsibilities concerning research, however, are quite explicit and spread throughout several statutes. Thus, we conduct surveys, investigations, and research to provide basic information on the effects of pesticides, develop guidelines to reduce hazards to fish, wildlife, and their food organisms. We cooperate with the chemical industry in evaluation and development of newer and safer pesticides, seeking those which are selective, less persistent and hazardous to man and the natural environment. We make the necessary interpretations required for enhancing water quality and best uses of the nation's resources. Portions of the pesticide and monitoring programs also are conducted in cooperation with other Federal and State agencies.

The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act of 1947 introduced the registration concept which provides for proving the safety and worth of a pesticide before it is marketed. The burden of proof of acceptability is on the manufacturer. The law now requires the Environmental Protection Agency to register all pesticides that meet its standards for effectiveness and safety. The law also requires that a pesticide must be registered before it can move in interstate commerce.

Research related to drugs and pesticides by the Fish and Wildlife Service and their Federal Aid programs is directed toward improving fish husbandry techniques; enhancing the aquatic environment; finding better and safer chemical, physical, or biological methods for management of fish populations, pests and diseases; and determining the acute and chronic effects of pesticides and control agents on the many different species of fish and their food organisms. These studies have focused attention on the complex problems involved in the magnification and transference of residues up the food chain and their biologically significant effects in both terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Much research effort also has been devoted to methods of analyzing or identifying the pesticide residues and their breakdown products, interactions of environmental factors affecting toxicity, changes in growth rates, impaired reproduction, or fecundity, adverse effects on behavior, influence of metabolism, effects on resistance to disease, performance or stamina under stress, altered physiology and pathological significance; and adverse changes in the species composition and density in populations of fish and fish-food organisms. Attention is focused especially on important freshwater, marine, estuarine and anadromous species valued for recreation or food.

Many pesticide problems are studied in various cooperative research programs which involve Federal funding. Currently, seven of the 23 Cooperative Fishery Units and five of the 18 Cooperative Wildlife Research Units are conducting pesticide studies. More than 20 universities and colleges have also received research contracts or grants for pesticide research.

We also conduct research in cooperation with industry and those agencies concerned with the development of newer and safer pesticides, integrated physical, biological, and chemical techniques, methods of reducing hazardous uses and disposal treatment and detoxification of pesticides. Through these cooperative efforts may selective control methods have been discovered and developed in our laboratories. Target organisms include oyster drill, parasitic sea lamprey, and many problem species of fish, birds, and mannals.

The Geological Survey, and Fish and Wildlife Service participate with the Environmental Protection Agency in the National Pesticide Monitoring program that involves: 190 permanent coastal stations for shellfish; intensive fish monitoring in the Great Lakes; annual sampling of fish for 57 Alaskan stream locations; following the spring sampling of fish from 50 sampling stations throughout the United States; approximately 100 water sampling stations ranging from sites used by municipal water plants for intakes to locations near mouths of rivers as they discharge tidal waters; 20 sites on streams in the Western United States is a part of the irrigation network for water quality data; 35 bench marks in the water quality network survey; special pesticide studies in Florida and herbicide treated irrigation ditches; residue analyses of 1,000 pools of duckwings from the various flyways; and field appraisal studies throughout the United States. Portions of the pesticide program are conducted in cooperation with other Federal agencies and with several State agencies. We supply facts and scientific interpretations to agencies with regulatory responsibilities to aid them in fulfilling their missions.

PERSPECTIVE OF THE WEED CONTROL PROBLEM

Timmons (1969) conducted a survey into the scope of the aquatic and marshland weed problems and the status of the use of herbicides for their control. He found that there were about 150 species of aquatic and semi-aquatic marshland plants that were problems in the more than 2 million ponds and reservoirs, 189 thousand miles of drainage ditches, and 173,000 miles of irrigation canals (Table 7). When we compare these figures with those compiled in the "ORRRS Study Report: (1962) and the "National Survey of Needs for Hatchery Fish" (1968), we find that in excess of 10 percent of the total area of these waters are affected by aquatic weed growth.

In the Sport Fishing Institute's "Fish Conservation Highlights" (Stroud and Martin, 1968), a great deal of attention is given to the chemical renovation of lakes and streams for the control of the fish populations. Excessive weed growths are often responsible for the imbalance of fish populations and the necessity for aquatic plant control. Extending fishery access by State agencies and the construction by the Federal agencies is playing an increasingly important role through creation of millions of acres of new waters in associated new fisheries. One of the primary activities pointed out in the above report is that of controlling aquatic plants by agencies such as the Corps of Engineers for which their survey shows fishing as the primary activity benefiting from their aquatic control programs (Table 8).

The type of weed infestation also influences the extent and kind of weed control program undertaken (Timmons, 1969); Table 9). In the survey conducted by the Agriculture Research Service and the Bureau of Reclamation in 1957, more than 90,000 miles or 63 percent of the canals in 17 western States were infested with aquatic weeds. More than 395,000 acres or 75 percent of the ditch banks were affected by one or more of the four kinds of bank weeds. During that year, 54 percent of the weed-infested canals and 80 percent of the weed-infested ditch banks were treated at a total cost of more than \$18 million. However,

TABLE 7: PERCENT OF VARIOUS TYPES OF WEED INFESTATIONS OF INLAND FRESH WATER AREAS IN THE CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES.1/

Area and aquatic	A	lgae	Roo	ted				
situation	Filamentous	Non-filamentous	Submersed	Emersed	Floating	Marginal	Woody	Total
North Central:		_		-				
ponds	84	2/	63	62	19	38	2/	
drainage ditches	23		23	72	7	70		
Southern and Western:								
ponds	46		60	20	5	33		
drainage ditches	36		51	42	4	56		
Nation-wide:			· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •					
natural lakes	2	8	7	1	2		1	21
impoundments	6	10	23	6	5		2	52
marshes	7	3	12	23	8		9	62
streams	4	$\overset{\circ}{2}$	1	$\overset{-\overset{\circ}{4}}{4}$	3		6	20

^{1/ 1961} Survey by Timmons (1969).2/ No data indicated.

the weed control operations were estimated to have prevented irrigation water losses and structural damage in excess of \$39 million. Thus, this resulted in a cost benefit ratio of more than 50 to 1 for the costs of the weed control. In Timmon's survey of 1961 (Table 7) smaller percentages of the areas of natural lakes, streams, marshes, and large impoundments were weed infested than irrigation canals and drainage ditches (Table 9).

Weed problems are worse in the waters fished most often according to national census of the regions and types of water (Tables 5 and 6). Further, in a projection of the future population trends, fishing pressure and development in types of water through the year 2000 show that these same waters will have to be more intensively managed, requiring more intensive use of pest control agents (Tables 6 and 7). At the same time the needs for hatchery fish (Table 10) for stocking and management of our waters will also require intensive management using fish control agents, anesthetics, marking dyes, external and internal fish

TABLE 8: AQUATIC WEED PROBLEMS IN LAKES, STREAMS, AND NAVIGATION CANALS IN SOUTHEASTERN STATES IN 1963 AND SURVEYS BY THE U.S. Corps of Engineers.1/

	Kinds of weed infestation in Southeastern States							
State	Waterhyacinth 1963	Alligatorweed 1963	submersed weeds 19632/					
Corps of Engineers Survey:								
Florida	87,281	2,597	76,132					
Louisiana	70,862	55,880	64,860					
Alabama	15	4,751	41,060					
Carolinas	4	30,805	14,197					
Georgia	460	1,838	7,443					
Mississippi	30	52	3,161					
Texas	3,750	1,200						
Total	162,402	97,123	206,853					

^{1/} Excludes farm ponds, drainage ditches, and tidal marshes. Prior to Eurasian watermilfoil (Myriophyllum spicatum) and Florida elodea (Hydrilla verticillata) which have added more than

100,000 acres of submersed weeds in eight States.

therapeutics, transportation aids and other management tools. As pointed out in the "Fish Conservation Highlights" 1963-1967 (Sport Fishing Institute, 1958) we have seen an increase in construction and revonation of environments to provide new fishing opportunities as well as enhance marginal or nonproductive waters (Table 11). Meeting the needs for urban fishing opportunities will place great demand on intensive management knowhow and require extensive use of chemical tools (Walker, 1969). The value of aquatic weed control just in relation to enhancement of sport fishery habitat can be summed up by quoting a recent commentary from the (January-February 1970) Sport Fishery Institute Bulletin: "In answer to an attitudequestion 'Is an additional 10 percent improvement in fishing worth \$100 million?' posed by Edgar B. Speer, President of United States Steel Corporation, Conservation leaders say: 'An additional 10 percent improvement in spot fishing, at current development level of the resource, is worth at least \$330 million of business generated annually. In terms of corresponding capital value (6% interest rate), a 10 percent improvement is worth at least \$5.5 billion.'

CONCLUSIONS

Persistence of potentially harmful residues require provisions in the label for conditions for use, withdrawal

TABLE 9: AQUATIC AREAS IN WHICH WEED INFESTATION OCCUR (AFTER TIMMONS, 1969).

	Aquatic area infested with weeds				
	Ponds and	Drainage	Irrigation		
Region of the	reservoirs1/	ditches2/	canals2/		
United States	(acres)	(miles)	(miles)		
Northeastern	51,725	2,773			
North Central	682,278	106,128	17,106		
Southern	1,020,689	66,225	26,678		
Western	376,657	13,882	129,277		
Total for					
48 States	2,131,349	189,007	173,061		

^{1/} From 1964 Agricultural Census2/ From 1959 Agricultural Census

Table 10: Summary of State and Bureah of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife Requirements and Production of Hatchery Fish (In Thousands)

—After "Natio]al Survey of Needs for Hatchery Fish"—Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Resource Publication 63 (1968).

		Requirements			Production		
	State	Bureau	Total	Total	State	Bureau	
Trout							
1965:	41,507	119	41,626	60.946	60.946	0	
FryFingerlings		6,720	134.743	124.476	103.938	20,538	
Catchables		3,579	71,489	64,413	48,522	15,891	
Total	237,440	10,418	247,858	249,835	213,406	36,428	
1973		22,478	356,793	355,525	288,625	66,900	
1980		23,206	422,031	405,069	331,526	73,543	
2000	508,750	34,867	543,617	505,468	410,374	95,094	
Salmon		*					
1965:	×= 00=	000	×= 0.40	*4.000	KO 000	4.015	
Fry		206	57,243	54,306	50,289	4,017	
FingerlingsYearlings		640 0	215,890 17,826	215,728 16,726	150,175 16,726	65,553 0	
rearmigs	17,020		17,040	10,720	10,740	<u>_</u>	
Total		846	290,959	286,760	217,190	69,570	
1973		12,309	488,354	477,793	383,910	93,883	
1980		25,721	730,649	709,404	606,563	102,841	
2000	925,578	32,931	958,509	936,787	818,767	118,020	
Warm-water							
1965: Fry	1,599,754	9,455	1,609,209	1.050.029	1,007,495	42,534	
Fingerlings		4,702	257.944	136,133	62,455	73,678	
Catchables		75	3,535	1,679	1,572	107	
Total	1,856,456	14,232	1,870,688	1,187,841	1,071,522	116,319	
1973		23,534	1,910,606	1,578,104	1,400,057	178,047	
1980		27,530	2,063,202	1,747,645	1,551,154	196,491	
2000	2,261,148	31,941	2,293,089	1,973,677	1,699,221	274,456	

time, and also necessitates establishing a residue tolerance limit in a petition to the Environmental Protection Agency. Thus, in examining the more than 95 chemicals known to be used experimentally or operationally in fish culture and fishery management, we find an appalling situation with regard to specific uses and status of registration.

Table 11: Synopsis of Statistics Collected by the Fish Management Institute (Stroud and Martin, 1968) on Fish Management Construction, Access Development, and Renovation of Fish Populations for Sport Fisheries Through 1965.

Activity	Number		
Aquisition and development	n con		10 900 000
for angler access;	7,627		10,392,000
Construction of public fishing lakes	1,545		317,241
Total renovation of fish populations in:			
Cold water lakes	2.603		278,195
Warm water lakes	12,920		331,799
Total			609,994
Partial chemical renovation of fish populations in:			
Cold water lakes	41		24.034
Warm water lakes	505		167.715
Total	546		191,749
Chemical treatment of fish populations in:			
Cold water streams	4,450	(miles)	15,119
Warm water streams	1,375	(miles)	4,151
Total	5,825	(miles)	19,270

In most instances the chemical industry has little or no profit motivation nor even a proprietary position on the majority of the chemicals Thus, in many instances they cannot be expected to support the expensive process of obtaining the data required for registration. Further, the primary source for information on toxicity, efficacy and residues in fish and aquatic environments must be generated by State and Federal Research. However, this capability is limited or severely restricted by budget, personnel, and facilities to adequately generate the necessary data, properly assemble the information, and effectively pursue the registration process. This will require a cooperative effort of all concerned—State, Federal, and private agencies—with a agreement on the protocol for research needed.

We in this profession must assert our capacility to research chemical tools and use them wisely in operational programs. We must demonstrate responsibility toward other users of water and utilization of the fishery resource for food directly (commercial fishery) or incidentally (sport fishery). Although we are obligated to intensively manage the resource, we must show equal concern in pursuing the effort to prevent adverse effects of water pollution and contamination of the fishery by hazardous chemicals. The present dilemma in registration and use of chemical tools poses a real challenge to research and we must face up to the task of solving the problems.

We cannot afford a lot of wasted motion in developing good, solid data on the toxicity, efficacy, residues in our physiological, ecological and chemical studies. A well-planned experimental design and capability in both man-power and facility is another must. The generation of poor

data lends to confusion and erroneous interpretation of what might otherwise have been clear, decisive results with good statistical basis for evaluation and conclusions. This calls for developing research protocols for studies of this nature-pooling the best advice and expertise in the design of tests. These studies should yield productive results upon which administrators of the drug, pesticide and pollution authority can effectively make judgments for safe and efficacious use of chemical tools.

The Interagency Ad Hoc Committee on use of Herbicides in Aquatic sites is investigating the extent of use of herbicides in aquatic sites; is developing the necessary information to fill the information gaps; and is establishing a protocol necessary to registration, particularly, for those compounds in which a proprietary position no longer exists.

The use of chemicals, such as aquatic herbicides and any other chemical which may be deemed a water pollutant or an additive to food or feeds, comes under the scrutiny of the Federal and State regulatory agencies. Although drugs and pesticides are handled under slightly different protocols, the following information must be furnished in the petition for the clearance and registration of the chemical for a specific use:

(1) Identity of the chemical by structure and contents of the formulation.

(2) Sufficient data to support the claims for efficacy of the chemical according to the specific use.

(3) Relative toxicity to both the target and non-target organisms with supporting toxicological data for manmals.

(4) Analytical methods to isolate and definitively measure residues of the chemical and its metabolites or degradation products with appropriate sensitivity and dependa-

(5) The fate and persistence of the toxicologically significant residues in the water, fish, shellfish, irrigated crops, or any other food or feeds which may be eventually consumed by man.

I recommend that the Weed Science Society of America establish a working committee to review the problems in the registration and uses of chemical tools in fisheries and other aquatic situations. We should establish the research protocols and uniformity in regulations affecting the chemical operational programs in Federal, State and private industry. We should also review, identify and rectify the problems involved in the experimental use of pesticides and chemical tools. We need to develop an effective program for channeling the information generated in all research activities to this working committee. The chemical industry and their professional organizations can and should support the efforts of the committee in exchange of information, coordination of industrial interests in mutual problems, and even financial support for some research activities.

We are deeply committed to the management of the water resources. As an integral part of the ecosystem man and his activities must also be regulated. This does not mean that we discontinue the use of chemical tools in fisheries and equatic situations but does emphasize our responsibility to develop new and better biological or chemical techniques. We must also de a better job of researching and evaluating those chemicals presently in use.

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