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**MONTEREY CITY COUNCIL'S STATEMENT
PERTAINING TO DECISION TO COMMENCE
APPLE MOTH SPRAYING**

At their meeting of September 4, 2007, the Monterey City Council approved the following statement pertaining to the Secretary of Food and Agriculture's decision to commence aerial pheromone spraying for the Light Brown Apple Moth on September 9:

1. The Council remains unanimously opposed to aerial spraying.
2. We have worked at length to facilitate the discussion and inform the decision making and permitting agencies of the public's questions and concerns.
3. City staff members have contacted environmental organizations and the research community to find evidence of irreparable harm. A number of citizen activists have participated in this search. Through all of this work, we have yet to identify any credentialed individuals or analyses that believe the spraying will be harmful.
4. If such evidence from credible experts comes to the attention of the City, the Council will further consider its legal options.

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