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tires. If a hole is discovered in the wrapping, they can use either a chemical to kill those mosquitoes or...and then they would rewrap them so it wouldn't have a hole in it again anymore. And these sponsors of these races, you know, they don't want a bunch of tires around with water in, breeding mosquitos, because nobody would come to the race if it's a mosquito-infested facility. So there's incentive there for the sponsors of these races to keep these tires wrapped, keep water out of them, and I'm confident that they will.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Senator. And I'm wondering, is there any...as they...I don't know if they exactly bolt them together, but as they put them together, is it possible to drill a hole through the sidewall of the tire so any water that did get in, it would just automatically drain out? They wouldn't have to worry in the future about spraying any kind of chemical in there because the water would automatically run down and on the ground and out.

SENATOR BURLING: I was told by the sponsor of this particular facility that that also could and probably would be done, but sometimes those holes can plug and so...

SENATOR PREISTER: Sure.

SENATOR BURLING: ...they still want to...they still want to wrap them.

SENATOR PREISTER: Good. I appreciate that they're taking those precautions and I would concur that that is important. The other element that we have discussed and that Senator Beutler brought up was on the current amendment that you have, which I appreciate you working on, and also Natural Resources' counsel, so that we do ensure that once the tires have been run into they're properly disposed of. And your amendment would provide for that plan to be submitted to NDEQ but, as you stated, there isn't time for the rules and regulations to be completed and for a plan to actually be approved before their first race. Is that correct?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes, that was the opinion of the DEQ, that