



As a boat owner in Marina Del Rey, I am very concerned with the possible new regulations that will have direct consequences on local boat owners. I see the term "reasonable" used frequently in the circulated documents and I urge decision makers to consider this carefully. When I bought my boat in 2007 it had water based paint on its bottom, put on some years ago when there had been a moratorium on other types of anti fouling bottom paint. When it was time to completely strip the bottom and start over again, there were no solvents for and the paint had to be hand sanded down for two weeks at the cost of \$8,000 for a modest 30FT sailboat. Alternative paints have a real cost to them, and I urge you to consider how reasonable the alternative that we are left with are as you consider new regulations. I also urge you to consider the costs associated with changing to a new type of paint before the layering cycle of the old type paint is complete. Using a new paint type on a new stripped bottom is one thing, and requiring a boat owner to strip before the boat needs it is another.

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