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Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
State Water Resources Control Board  
1001 I Street, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Opposition to Proposed Amendment to the Los Angeles Regional Basin Plan to Revise the Total Maximum Daily Loads for Marina del Rey Toxic Pollutants**

Dear Ms. Townsend:

I sail out and in Marina del Rey harbor on a weekly basis. I am opposed to the proposed TMDL Amendment by the Los Angeles Water Control Board for the following reasons:

- I am on several mailing lists but I did not receive notice of any public hearing on the above action if in fact there was one. I did not know there was a problem with copper base paint in the marina.
- I did not receive any study that justifies the above action by the Water Control Board regarding the concentration of copper in the Marina water.
- My concern is that the California is losing business every day to Texas and other states because of actions similar to this. Boaters will be asking to pay an annual Waste Discharge Permit of \$1,094 in the first year. It only can go up in the following year. What is the control on these funds? Will it go into the general fund for a train to nowhere? Yes it is difficult for a boater to go to other states but they can sell their boat to a buyer in another state. This would affect the small local business that service these boat. Having a boat is not an indication of having deep pockets.

If this unelected Board can ignore the people, the law, science, economics and common sense, we are in trouble. What will be next?

**The State Water Control Board should reject the TMDL Amendment.**

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas D. Weese".

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