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To: Michelle Mata
San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board

I was informed that the Board was accepting comments on fireworks discharges over water.

My wife and I and two small dogs live in a high-rise condo in downtown San Diego's Marina District.

Each summer, we are subjected to fireworks noise and smoke pollution nearly every Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, and sometimes on other days, from the San Diego Pops concerts held at the South Embarcadero behind the Convention Center. These fireworks are launched from a barge on the bay.

On hot summer evenings, we have to keep our windows closed until the smoke dissipates. On occasion, we have to clean up "accidents" in the house from our frightened puppies.

We also see and hear the fireworks from Petco Park after Padres games. On the 4th of July, we can witness 6 or more huge fireworks displays around San Diego Bay, followed by an inevitable cloud of pollutants that hovers for hours. On several other occasions throughout the year, we also see or hear fireworks.

Enough already! Please consider banning or limiting this outrageous excess of fireworks displays in downtown San Diego.

Perhaps laser light shows would be a suitable, non-polluting alternative.

Sincerely,

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