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The No Discharge Zone for Puget Sound is a no-brainer. Unwillingness to take time and effort to keep our waters clean is no excuse! I have a relative who once had a live-aboard sailboat moored in Bellingham, and he would motor out to deeper water to dump his black water just because it was easier to do so.

To date, our region is the only one in the nation that has not designated No Discharge Zones for any waters. Puget Sound has enough problems without a preventable one - it needs this type of protection. I fully support Department of Ecology's determination and proposal to establish the Puget Sound No Discharge Zone.

This simple and common sense approach will protect public health, keep our waters clean, protect sensitive marine waters, and support important shellfish harvesting areas.

I, along with many residents and users of Puget Sound, strongly support establishing a No Discharge Zone for Puget Sound. The maritime community values Puget Sound and I am confident that the remaining vessels that don't have proper holding tanks onboard will step up to do their part to keep our waters clean.

Please establish the Puget Sound No Discharge Zone.

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