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I would like to express my approval of amendment #2 to ban scrubbers for the following reasons:

1. Scrubbers are not a solution for treating toxic ship engine exhaust, as the cruise industry claims, because they simply convert air pollution into water pollution and therefore solve nothing. The exhaust of heavy fuel oil, one of the dirtiest fossil fuels on earth, are 'scrubbed' and the toxin-laden wastewater are discharged directly into the ocean.;
2. Approving amendment #2 and banning scrubbers gives the cruise industry and REAL chance to demonstrate that they are actually committed to offsetting the impacts of their pollution by agreeing to end the dumping of all scrubber wastes in Puget Sound.
3. Simply put, marine ecosystem must be healthy to survive. The COVID-19 pandemic has revealed the negative impacts of the cruise industry and their scrubbers because the brief cessation of their traffic has given Puget Sound a much needed reprieve from the water pollution cruise vessels create.

Please do not allow scrubber dumping to return to the Sound. Please support amendment #2.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.