

No creature deserves to suffer the kind of death from anticoagulant rodenticide (AR) poisoning. Raptors, mountain lions, and other wild animals nationwide continue to get sick, and often die, by ingesting anticoagulant poisons designed to slowly kill rodents from internal bleeding. I have even seen pets suffer the same fate.

The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (CDPR) presented proposed mitigations for the use of blood thinning rodent poisons (anticoagulant rodenticides or ARs) as part of navigating the moratorium on all ARs. These proposals could add well over 100,000 new locations to those which can use AR baits, with a much lower barrier to entry for pesticide professionals. This is a clear violation of California law's language instructing CDPR to reduce threats to non-target wildlife before loosening AR restrictions.

I oppose the following suggested changes:

1. Removal of all permitting requirements for users
2. Exempting grocery stores
3. Exempting restaurants

Thank you.

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