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I, a California resident, support a total ban on anticoagulant rodenticides and strongly oppose any changes to the regulations that would grant exemptions for the use of rodenticides, thereby rolling back protections gained through state legislation in 2020, 2023, and 2024.

All anticoagulant rodenticides should be banned and should not have exemptions for them expanded. Even with existing restrictions, anticoagulant rodenticides continue to kill and harm non-target animals — including mountain lions, bobcats, owls, and endangered San Joaquin kit foxes — through painful internal bleeding by secondary poisoning.

Expanding their use, especially in areas like restaurants and grocery stores where these poisons are currently prohibited, would undo years of progress and undermine California's landmark wildlife protections.