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I am a birder and advocate for evidence based solutions and wildlife protections and harm reduction.

The current law has a carve out for research to study non-target wildlife poisoning over the next two years and produce evidence/vetted research that supports less restrictive mitigations. Until the research period has ended and relevant research produced, less restrictive mitigations are not permitted under current law.

No grace period should be permitted for holistic rodent management training and plan. IPM strategies and non-ARs should be used exclusively until this training is completed.

Specific rodent problems at restaurants or grocery stores, meeting the definition of a public health issue, should be addressed on a case by case basis, not trigger a wholesale exemption of regulations for all restaurants and grocery stores.

Thank you for your consideration and attention to this very important matter.