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Comment by Jeff Shelden on R18-18 Regulatory Relief Mechanisms

I live in Chicago and love to kayak a few times during the summer months. I'm also a runner and jog along Lake Michigan and the North Shore Channel occasionally. These activities would be substantially better with clean waterways that are free of debris, foul odors and pollution generally. Algae and invasive plant growth are also concerning.

I would like the Pollution Control Board to adopt regulations that make our waterways as clean as possible as soon as is feasible. Delaying the adoption of rules preventing polluters from meeting standards that protect my health and the health of our community, aquatic life, and wildlife and that degrade our engagement with the waterways would be unexplainable to me.

Please ensure that the rules coming out of R18-18 clean up our waterways as soon as possible. It is the right action to take.

Thank you for your consideration.

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