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**Subject:** SB401

My name is Walter Evens and I own Metal Detectors and More. The “and More” part means that I also carry mining equipment. The passage of this bill would not only hurt my business but many of my customers who either derive their livelihood from mining gold or at the very least supplement their income with such activities. On top of that, there are many areas in the state that thrive because folks come there to mine gold. This bill is bad for everybody. Oregon already has plenty of Scenic Rivers. The passage of this bill would not only affect the ability of people to use the waterways, but the property rights of the landowners within the ¼ mile easement on each side.

Please vote no on SB401!

Thank you.

Walter R. Evens