

Niix pachwai,

My name is Kayla Godowa-Tufti, great-great grand daughter of Charlie Tufti, who is credited for Discovering what is now known as Waldo Lake in the 1800's. My family, the Tufti's of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs of Oregon, are decendants of the Chakgeenkni-Tufti Band, a band of Southern Molallish peoples that migrated seasonally to Waldo Lake and Fall Creek. This area has been our homeland for at least 8,000 years (according to archeological data). This area is rich in cultural values, history and is home to an ecosystem unlike any other on the planet. To leave this area vulnerable to foreign interference will irreversibly destroy a very fragile ecosystem forever. "Waldo Lake" is the source of the North Fork of the Willamette River, which flows through densely populated areas such as Springfield, Eugene, Salem and Portland. It is the most oligotrophic lake in the state and, as noted by Carter et al (1966), among the purest lakes in the world. Closely similar to rain water in a pristine environment. "The chemistry and biology of the water in Waldo Lake are exceptional and clearly classify the lake as ultraoligotrophic." In other words, the lake high in the mountains in a small watershed is low in plant nutrients and full of oxygen. Paddle out into its water and you can see down into the remarkably blue waters for 115 ft, when measured.

A long-term study of the lake's water shows it is home to "unique species never identified before, including phytoplankton and zooplankton and highly productive deepwater bryophytes, particularly liverworts." The study also says the clarity of the lake is worsening.

Aside from potential fuel leakage and pollution, how do you screen a craft for invasive species if the species are in the form of microscopic or nearly microscopic seeds, eggs, bacteria or other organisms that could damage an environment that is so unique? Does the pilot or boater do the screening? Are the pilots and boaters also biologists? Are they using scientific equipment to screen or are they just looking at the plane/water craft to see if there's a zebra mussel hanging off it? Do we take their word for it that they screened their planes? If someone didn't screen their planes, would anyone know?

In regards to Senate Bill 602:

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 830.180 is amended to read:

830.180. No person, other than the Department of State Police and governmental agencies of this state and the federal government having jurisdiction over the following described waters, shall use a motor for propelling a boat or for any purpose on the following named waters of this state located in the counties named:

Lane Gold Lake { + and Waldo Lakes + }

SECTION 2. ORS 830.185 is amended to read:

(2) No person shall operate a boat with an outboard or inboard motor at a speed in excess of 10 miles per hour on the following named waters of this state located in the counties named:

Lane Waldo Lake

From what I understand, motorized craft has been banned on "Waldo Lake" by the Oregon State Marine board as of Spring of 2012, so is this speed regulation ammendment being made for the "Department of State Police and governmental agencies of this state and the federal government having jurisdiction over the following described waters" to abide by? If the general public is not allowed motorized craft on the lake, then why should there be need to discuss speed regulations? But, if these ammendments are being made for officials to abide by, I very much appreciate this suggestion and must remind all that it is important for everyone to be mindful of the fragility of this water's ecosystem and that any foreign impact will severely alter it's pure state.

Another concern I have is at what point do officials have the authority to operate motorized crafts on the lake?

Does use of water craft by government officials come with restrictions, for emergency use only? Or anytime? Again, I cannot stress enough that **ANY FOREIGN IMPACT WILL SEVERELY ALTER THIS WATERS PURE STATE**. So, useage of the lake in this way should be extremely limited and for emergency use only.

In regards to the ammendment in Section 3, I very much concur with this ammendment, this water body is in a state of emergency concerning the preservation of public peace, health and safety.

SECTION 3. { + This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage. + }

In closing, I would like to thank all of our Molallish ancestors who's homeland is now known as "Waldo Lake". To those who took care of this place and kept it clean so that we too could know the purity and beauty of our waters, we are forever indebted and grateful. We should do the same for our children, grandchildren, and for all future

generations. Our Molallish family lived in this area for at least 8,000 years prior to industrialization and only within the last 100 years has contamination been a problem.

Thank you all so much for considering adopting this bill and doing what we can to legally protect one of the last pure water bodies on the planet that we are so privileged to have. Take care of it wisely, water is sacred.

Sincerely,

Kayla L. Godowa-Tufti, member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs of Oregon, descendant of Indigenous peoples of Oregon, Washington, California and Nevada:

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Chakgeenkni-Tufti band (Molallish peoples from the Cascades: Waldo Lake and Fall Creek) Rep. by Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. Tufti: contemporary Warm Springs family name. Traced back to Charlie Tufti, credited for "discovering" Waldo Lake

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