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House Committee on Transportation Policy
Public Hearing

Re: HB2320 Non-Motorized Boating Program

Dear Sirs:

We have been privileged to have our county residents participate in the Oregon State Marine Boards statewide research efforts. Public meetings have been held locally to explore the need and demand for Non-motorized boating facilities.

Our Parks Department provides for and manages 21 boat launch facilities on the various rivers and bays within Tillamook County they have noticed the growing use of Non-motorized crafts. It seems that this segment of water craft has established its prominence and is here to stay. Even though the Non-motorized craft enjoys the same water resource their uniqueness requires a different level of water access accommodation than the current power boat launches provide. Therefore, is reasonable to foresee that certain facility accommodations will need to be made. The Tillamook County Parks Department is supportive of the HB2320 Oregon State Marine Boards Non-motorized Boating Program.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "D. F. Schleichert", is positioned above the typed name.

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