

Representative Ken Helm,

I am opposed to the proposed bills referenced that would prevent boats with wake-enhancing devices to operate between river mile 30 and 50 of the Willamette River. This would also prevent wakeboarding boats from operating within 200' of a dock/moorage/boathouse. The river isn't more than 400' wide in many places through this area, so this bill would effectively shut down all wakeboard boat activity that produced a wake.

Like many of my friends, I am a resident in your district and use the upper Willamette river often. I do not find folks who use wake enhancing devices to be an issue nor have I experienced any issues with noise. I also personally know several people who live on this stretch of the river and they are also fully against these bills.

Thank you for the consideration in preventing these bills to become law.

Regards,

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