

I have 2 pressing concerns: 1. Why not also include gross weight of boats and the amount of wake and wake related disturbance/ and damage they cause to the waterways, habitat and structures? Cabin cruisers and large vessels also throw sizable destructive wakes without towing water sports.

2. I am concerned about the opponents of this bill and their platform that "it is not based in science" linking erosion and dock damage to wakes from boats. It is basic physics, I say limit the speed or movement of large vessels weighing over 4000lbs, limit the towed/wake watersports, and if they want the research have them conduct studies to convince that they could be brought back with respect for the habitat and recreation. Our dock is damaged from wakes from many forms of watercraft (including Willamette Jetboats) and we are constantly replacing natural shoreline that is eroded away from large wakes on high water days.