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On Behalf Of: Oppose Ban

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I OPPOSE the Ban! I have grown up on the river in the Newberg Pool and lived there 19 years. While I have done every water sport living here. I prefer Wake Surfing, Fishing, Jet Skiing and Paddle Boarding. The largest problem we have is the Winter erosion, large storms and heavy rains. You can not eliminate those.

Boats are not the problem!

The biggest problem I see is some paddlers do not abide by the laws. I had to pass a boaters license when I was 12 years old. I think that all the boaters including the paddlers need to do the boaters license and follow the rules. There are so many paddlers that choose to go down the middle of the channel, they should cross the river at 90 degrees and run the shore lines.

I believe everyone should be able to do all watersports.

My friends and I all enjoy Wake Surfing, and all have all started voting, and plan on voting for people that support our voice.

I OPPOSE this Ban on Surfing!

Thanks for your time.