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I am a regular kayaker on the Willamette River and I support strict regulation of wake producing boats. These boats make the river unusable for almost all other river users. They are loud and destructive of fish habitat and docks. Their waves are not natural for a small body of water like the Willamette. I have seen the waves from these boats capsize SUPS and make kayaking difficult and stressful. Please restrict the use of these boats in the Willamette and smaller bodies of water. They make the river miserable for the rest of us. I support SB 1589.

Thank you.