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Long time boater on the Willamette, this is a rehash and waste of time same as last year. What's changed? The boating community is evolving and working to educate and do the right thing. This bill is just rinse and repeat of the past. If you go back to all the testimonies last year, ours included, you will see why this bill is a bad plan. The reasons behind it are not just, the science and research is suspect as well.

This rehash is just the proponents hoping to wear down the opposition. It's not okay, a solid plan needs to be developed so we can all use our waterways that are in our own backyard. I live in Oregon City, 10 mins from the West Linn boat ramp. My family recreates there in the summers as I did as a kid.

We as boaters and the boating community are more aware and conscientious as ever. There are already guidelines and a buoy system set up that are working and doing the job as intended.

The proponents of this bill have their own self interests in mind, it's clearly not about the ecosystem of the river.

Please vote this down.