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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

Measure: SB1589

Dear legislators -

I am strongly opposed to SB 1589. I am a river property owner and water-skier. This bill continues the special interest minority agenda to eliminate family oriented recreational usage of the Willamette river, while doing nothing to address real issues of bank erosion or safety. These rules are one-sided and targeted to eliminate a majority of recreational usage of a huge section of the river impacting hundreds of families. The rules are not based on empirical evidence nor do they address overdevelopment, poor bank management practices, or lack of native vegetation all of which have proven impact on erosion. The boating community is actively working to study and work with the community to address these causes to improve river quality for all. Please let us continue to responsibly enjoy river and help improve this resource for all instead of shutting it down to those who care most about it.

respectfully;

Steve Schade