

Submitter: Chad Wiley

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

Hello my name is Chad Wiley and I oppose SB 1589. This section of the river is very important to me. I work at Active Water Sports and the river is my office setting most days, it is where I recreate on the weekends, and as a Grand Ronde tribal member, it is where my ancestors spent their time too.

While I am all for maintaining the beautiful environmental landscape, preventing erosion, saving the fish, etc. this bill unfairly targets a specific group of river users and lacks the factual data that any elected official should be requiring before passing a bill such as this one.

Another important piece that I think has been hugely overlooked is the economic impact that SB 1589 would have on Active Water Sports and lots of other local businesses. I advocate for safe, responsible boating every day at my job and consider myself a steward of the river but my professional work will be drastically impacted if SB 1589 passes. Not only myself, but hundreds of other Oregonians will be impacted as well.

Thank you for your time and consideration.