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On Behalf Of:

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I am writing in support of SB1589.

I was on the verbal testimony list today, time didn't allow and I will be away on business Wednesday.

Please don't let the smoke and mirrors confuse you.

Bigger boats create bigger wakes.

I've witnessed it. You have the physics already submitted to you.

I am not claiming that boats operating with ballast tanks full are doing the damage.

Without full ballast tanks these boats weigh 8,000 LB and above.

You've seen the photos of turbidity.

My property has been severely damaged with loss of land, loss of large trees and currently the threat of losing a 130' second growth fir that is 30' from my house. The 35' of bank below this tree was lost when 5 other trees toppled into the river from an undercut bank. You have the old photo in rep. Kennemaras presentation.

Stop the activity and study the problem.