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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: SB1589

I am writing to you today to voice my opposition to SB 1589. I've grown up in Oregon and love our rivers, parks and trails. My proud Oregon heritage is made up of memories boating and playing on the Willamette river. It is where I learned to challenge myself and try new sports (such as wakeboarding and wake surfing) and where I learned to disconnect and enjoy nature and my family. My daughter is about to turn 2 and I look forward to the days where she can enjoy the river and also challenge herself with new water sports. SB 1589 threatens to take away that access and opportunity for not only my daughter but for families across Oregon. To pass this bill without a thorough analysis and agreement of all affected parties of the claims being made in regards to wake sports impacts on bank erosion and fish populations would in my opinion be a disservice to all Oregonians.