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It is clear, Wake boats impact our environment, whether on the Willamette River or elsewhere. Their gasoline consumption is beyond belief and their use adds to climate change for no reason other than self-indulgence. Wake boat owners should take some responsibility for the damage being done and spend their "family fun time" discussing fossil fuel consumption and what it does to the planet. At a time when the state of Oregon is investing so many resources to control climate change, I can't believe one wouldn't support SB 1589. In my opinion, these boats should be eliminated and not be able to be used on any body of water. Climate change progress won't be made until we face some hard truths about issues such as wake boats. Automakers are making strides to make vehicles more efficient and we should be challenging the boating industry to make boats more efficient as well. Bills such as SB 1589 do just that. Please support this bill and help reduce the impact that boating is having on the environment.