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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire

Measure: SB1590

Opposition To SB 1590

I am in opposition to SB 1590 because of the damage to the shoreline, and unnecessary congestion that these heavy boats add to the already busy waters of the Newberg Pool. As an active kayaker in these waters, I share the water with many types of watercrafts. The heavy wake boarding boats plow through the water creating large wakes destroy any simple paddle pleasure of a human powered small boat enjoying a day on the river, It is an assault on the senses. The roar of engines is everywhere in our world. Can we not slow this power of human consumption down in this one spot of the river.

In addition to the damage to the solitude of the river the animals that live in this habitat have no choice in the matter. These heavy boats damage the habitat that they depend on. Enough already. Why would we want to repeal a bill that protects this critical habitat.

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