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My family has been coming to the Willamette Newberg Pool since my husband was a young man. Our son who will be 30 years old grew up on the river. We support that all boaters should have access to this area of the river. All those that oppose this will tell you oh we are causing erosion, have you taken a look at the river right now!! There is no lower parking lot at Boones ferry marina. During the summer months the river goes down and how can boaters be causing the erosion to their properties.

We who have been on this river for over 40 years can tell you the enjoyment we get being with our kids and now our grandson who will learn to waterski on this river and in the Newberg pool just like his Grandpa!! Please do not let certain few weigh your decision. I agree boater education needs to be part of this and people do need to be held accountable for not following the rules set forth by the state marine board like they have done. We have to take a test for boater safety and require a sticker on our boat, we do see boats on the pool even now who don't have them. This is called education!

Please do not take the one thing that brings our family together on a Sunday where we go float. Also the joy we have on a weeknight to go out and waterski and enjoyment of being together sharing a meal on the river!! Seeing friends and swimming!!

Thank you for your time