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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire

Measure: SB1590

Our family has been severely impacted by the limitations that have been placed on watersports in the Newberg Pool. We have enjoyed spending time as a family and taking our friends out on the river over the years, and the current restrictions have made us reduce our time on the water. Please pass SB1590.

SB 1590 will increase public access to towed water sports for hundreds of families along the Newberg Pool. This includes restoring carefully planned zones by the OSMB, shaped with input from diverse river stakeholders including small businesses, environmentalists and homeowners. These zones ensure safety for river users and the environment by limiting towed water sports to suitable areas.

Thank you for taking the time to read these comments.

Steve Smith and family.