

Submitter: Lorraine Anderson

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire

Measure: SB1590

Dear Chair Golden and Committee Members,

I respectfully urge you to oppose SB 1590. Oregon has a common sense law in place that limits the weight of towed water sports boats. There are excellent reasons to keep this law in place. Wake boats are expensive toys that ruin the experience of river recreation for canoeists, kayakers, paddle boarders, and swimmers, and negatively impact fragile shoreline habitat and the species that depend on it.

It's 2024 on planet Earth. The planet is overpopulated with humans who are destroying their habitat one poor choice at a time. Kowtowing to an industry that benefits very few and harms many more would be one of those poor choices. Oregon has every right to set rules for the Willamette River that benefit the most people and species and protect the river's health.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
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