

Oregon families are suffering and need outdoor recreation to heal our souls this summer. This bill would make the river inaccessible for many that need the opportunity to get outside. The people who choose still to go out to enjoy towed wake sports will be crowded into small areas or forced to drive hours to find bodies of water that are open to the public. My family will have to travel an extra hour to the nearest lake and it will be crowded and unsafe. So we will be forced to go out of state to enjoy our time on the boat. Before a decision like this is made, I would hope that a thorough study of the Willamette would be conducted to prove that wake boats are causing damage to the ecosystem. It seems that all evidence presented to date can only be considered anecdotal. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kelly White