

My name is Joshua I am an avid water way user on the upper Willamette. I see a major issue with the proposal of a 4000 pound weigh limit on boats. Its not backed up well enough for it to even be in question with bank erosion. I think the waterways are a good place for familys and friends to spend there time. Most boats today are ultra green emissions standers. I think that erosion takes place with or without 4000 lbs + boats on the Willamette. This bill would cripple small businesses and all around good times on the water. I have lived on the water for all my life and have never had complaints myself about "erosion". I personally think the bill would be doing harm to the economy more than anything. With such a lack of jobs i think its great that people come to the water with boats and friends and spend money on smaller businesses surviving off the attraction. I know there are thousands of like minded people that think this law is unethical and just not right. Where would 4000+ lbs boats go if they didnt have this area? A smaller water way? How would you have enough control over these waterways? Where are real valid statistics that 4000 lbs is the cause of erosion. This measure would ruin more than it would help overall. Thank you for listening and please stop trying to ruin good times. -Joshua