

As avid River-goers in our canoe my family has to be very cautious of the areas we choose to paddle because of wake causing boats. It's sad that one larger craft can cause such a significant negative impact for so many others at one time: other small boats, shore habitat, fishing, and water turbidity.

We value that canoeing is a low cost accessible way for us be in nature and are saddened that it's increasingly limited by the presence of (or potential presence of) these large wakes. Being with our 3 year old in waves like this is not the way we want them to know our rivers, it's a terrifying experience for them and there's often not warning or way to avoid it.

We hope that co-users of the river would be more respectful of others in small craft, and the health of the river they also love to use but that's changed. We support instituting some type of policy to curb the wakes and allow the river and smaller craft a chance to use it with less wake threats.