

I support this bill. My primary reason is the bank erosion that the large wakes cause and the subsequent damage to the river habitat. This bill is critical because regardless of whether people are making good decisions on the river, I constantly see boats with wakes that crash over our dock when the boat is not even towing someone. It is clear that not all boaters are mindful of the effects of these wakes, and even if they are, we have to put laws in place to limit everyone's use. It's too bad that those boaters are not only damaging the habitat up and down the river, but their negligence is also going to ruin it for everyone. We can put a law in place now to limit wake size in this zone OR we can wait until the environment is so damaged that no motor boats will be allowed at all and we then we'll get to answer to future generations!
Please pass SB857

Thank you,
Linda Brecke