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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

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Hello Esteemed Senate Committee on Energy And Environment,

I am taking a few minutes out of my work day to comment on this bill because I sincerely believe it is very important for the environmental integrity of our region. As climate change intensifies, the ecosystem of the Willamette river must be held in the highest regard both for sustainability of all life forms that depend on it, as well as for its recreational and commercial uses.

Personally, I see the terrible impacts of large wake-inducing boats on our river up close frequently. I am an avid kayaker, routinely boating on the river from about about Corvallis north through to where the Willamette meets the Colombia. I see the impacted shorelines, the muddied waters, the birds and animals that are disturbed. On a selfish note the noise of these machines also negatively impacts the experience of being on the river.

Please do pass this bill! We must protect our river and all of us that depend on it.

Warmly,

Savel Sabol