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Hi Everyone,

As a canoeist and kayaker I found myself on the Willamette several times a month. The last time I took my canoe there I put in at Oak Grove and paddled up to my favorite spot on the the River Hog Island. The wake boats speeding by almost capsized our canoe and I haven't been back since. My wife and I know how to handle watercraft having self guided down the Grand Canyon 5 times and paddled all our local flat-water and whitewater rivers hundreds of times. From this perspective I would like to submit that these wake boats are a danger to other self propelled water craft and should be regulated.

Environmentally speaking, the erosion of our river's banks is also a consequence that we can't afford.

How we live our lives should include how we affect those in our wake and it's our duty remind those who don't understand that.

Please pass this bill.

Thanks, Dean and Mary