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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire

Measure: SB1590

As an avid water sports and nature enthusiast, I have enjoyed both towed water sports and non-motorized paddle sports in the Newberg Pool of the Willamette River. I highly value the current restrictions, as they help to maintain the integrity of the watershed, providing ample opportunity for sensible towed water sports, while restricting the most egregious activities that cause the most harm to the natural area.

Much thought went into the current legislation and compromise restrictions that benefit the vast majority of users. Per the Oregon State Marine Board, "The current law is a result of over a decade of Marine Board rulemaking and legislation." There is just not sufficient justification for negating that work.

I strongly urge a NO vote on SB 1590. Thank you for your consideration.