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Although I reside in La Pine, I spend the majority of the boating season in the Newberg/Hillsboro area. I am retired and my sons live in Hillsboro. We wakeboard/wakesurf/tube in the evenings after work. I also keep my boat there as I live in the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) and with the boat in Hillsboro, it is one less item I do not need to evacuate during a wildfire emergency.

I support this bill as with compliance to the rules, followed by enforcement as needed, multiple river users can enjoy the river. Education and user compliance are the keys to success. Education is essential for all users. There are many opportunities for user conflicts, but if everyone understands the resource objectives, conflicts can be reduced. It's all about courtesy and respect for all user groups, as well as protection of private property and the river resource.