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We currently reside in family property of 60 years. For decades the river life was peaceful and then once the laws was passed to prohibit summertime river activities it drastically changed. I have witnessed people that passed this law video tape minors that are just having fun, blow air horns and yell foul language. My kids don't understand and I just have to explain that those neighbors just don't want others to have fun.

It is only a few hours a day in the summer months that watersport boating happens. Weekday afternoons and weekend daytime. The majority of erosion occurs due to winter water levels. I encourage those that are against this to go up and down the river immediately and see the erosion and docks with log jams under them from this winter.

Every summer morning and evening is when the water is naturally calm for canoeing, paddleboarding and water-skiing. A perfect activity we enjoy right off of our docks in the 200 ft zone.

The energy and passion towards banning recreational boating on the upper Willamette should be spent towards zombie boats on the lower Willamette.

If this is passed I look forward to peaceful river fun again.