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I oppose 301 because I believe the existing law is important and is working well. 5500 pounds is a large boat, and I do not want to see larger boats in the Newberg pool. The larger boats are going to further erode and destroy the shoreline. Oregon's greatest asset is its natural beauty. Why do we want to degrade and destroy our environment any further? Once this landscape is destroyed, it will take generations to come back. In a time of climate change, is it really the best idea to allow larger and more polluting boats on the Willamette? If we allow these massive boats, it will destroy the natural beauty and leave us with a lack of a waterfront. With no more waterfront people will want to recreate somewhere else. We need to stop this environmental destruction from occurring.