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Marine Board Meeting in Bend to Decide on Proposed Willamette River Rules

The Oregon State Marine Board will make a decision on proposed rules for the Willamette River at their quarterly meeting on October 14 at 1 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Riverhouse Resort, 3075 N. Hwy 97, in Bend.

The proposed rules for the Willamette River are from the Hwy 219 Bridge at RM (river mile) 48.5 to the upper end of Willow Island at RM 31.5. The proposed rules include: (a) not operating a motorboat at a speed in excess of a "Slow-No-Wake" maximum 5 mph speed within 100 feet of private docks, boathouses or moorages legally permitted by the Oregon Department of State Lands, and; (b) not using wake-enhancing devices, including ballast tanks, wedges or hydrofoils or other mechanical devices, or un-even loading of persons or gear, to artificially operate bow-high.

Other items on the agenda for the Board meeting include:

- Correcting language for a rule adopted by the Board in October 2007 regarding communication equipment for charter vessels.
- Director's Report
- Consideration of Facilities Grants
- Facility Program Report
- Law Enforcement Program Report
- Education/Information Program Report.
- Policy and Planning Staff Report

The meeting is accessible for persons with disabilities. Persons needing some form of assistance to participate in this meeting due to a disability should contact June LeTarte at 503-378-2617 by Monday, October 13. Persons wishing to address the Board on non-agenda items may do so during the designated period at the start of the meeting.

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