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To whom it may concern,

As the program manager for Klamath County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) marine program I am urging everyone to support the proposed registration fee increases. Funding for marine law enforcement has been declining at a steady rate for some time. This in turn has forced KCSO to cut seasonal LE employees which has effectively reduced staffing levels by 50% during the boating season. Klamath County patrols 28 waterways with an area of operation in excess of 6000 square miles. Under current funding levels it is extremely difficult to provide an adequate level of service to Klamath County residents and our recreational visitors ( two full time marine deputies and a number of volunteers). Without any fee increases we are looking at further cuts to funding. Funding decreases would reduce staffing to one full time marine deputy which would obviously make it impossible to provide an appropriate level of enforcement and education services to our boating public. I urge you to listen to the Oregon State Marine Board and support fee increases and any legislative changes they are requesting. Respectfully yours.

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