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Please look at this bill (2027) for the hasty changes "gut and stuff" made by Gene Whisnant on behalf of a small group of property owners calling themselves Upper Deshutes Conservation Council to stop a pedestrian foot bridge across the Deschutes River.

The Bend Parks and Rec have had this plan for sometime and were not notified of the changes to House Bill 2027. The Park district has always been a good steward of the land and this would enhance connection of hiking trails.

There should be reasonable protection of our scenic waterways but needs provisions for proposed changes by property owners or public entities to be reviewed. Prohibiting a PEDESTRIAN foot bridge does not seem reasonable. The design and intrusion into the habitat should be subject to review but not just prohibited.

Please read the article by Erik Lukens in The Bulletin Sunday May 7.

Respectfully, Bertie Perone, Bend Or 97701