From: Anne

To: SENR Exhibits

**Subject:** Oppose house bill 2027

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I would like to oppose house bill 2027. A pedestrian bridge would allow people on the east side to access all the trails on the west side of the deschutes river without driving through already congested streets to the current access points. The area has many large homes that can be seen from the river trail and is not the pristine nature area that some homeowners in the area describe.

Access to the national forests from neighborhoods is a benefit to all who love nature. Please do not vote in favor of a bill that only protects the interest of a few surrounding homeowners. I happen to live on the west side in a neighborhood that has access to open space and river trails and believe all the citizens of central Oregon should have the same opportunities to enjoy nature.

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