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Respectfully request we "build the foot bridge" near my home in RiverRim.

I've been optimistically watching the progress of the approval process for the past nine years to building a foot bridge over the deschutes river at the south end of town. Defeating House Bill 2027 is our opportunity to facility this long sought after goal.

Providing access to the national forest for this dense pocket of Bends population would be very welcome. Providing access via a pedestrian foot bridge to the numerous biking trails, river access for fishing, and just nature hikes without the need to travel by car to increasingly congested trail heads on the west side of the river would be a prudent decision.

The influx of approximately 1,800 students this year alone at OSU near current trailheads adds an additional level of consideration.

All ready this year (before our summer tourist season gets into full swing) I have found parking to be limited at all trailheads along the deschutes (i.e., Meadow, Lava Island falls, Dillon falls, Benham falls).

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Regards,

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