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### **To the Senate Committee regarding House Bill 2027**

We want access to the river trails from the Eastside of Bend. We have felt neglected and overpowered by the money and influence that has accumulated on the Westside. Please help us have the same privileges and conveniences that the West Side of Bend enjoys. The Bend Park and Recreation recognizes the neglect the Eastside of Bend has experienced.

We are not poor or undereducated on the Eastside. We, along with many of our neighbors are college educated and live in large houses on large lots because we choose that lifestyle. We contribute **major funds** to our constituents and through **real estate taxes**. We moved on the Eastside more than 25 years ago and watched our side of town become a dumping ground for low cost housing without the accruements that come on the Westside. We are sickened by this and are requesting the same privileges that others have in our community.

That said, we are going to have a major population increase on the Eastside. I believe we already have more people and more voters living on the Eastside than the Westside. We deserve to have access to public lands and parks just like the other side of town.

Personally, my husband and I would like to ride our bike from our house to Sunriver. We don't want to have to drive than park and ride.

We are also saddened to hear that Knute Buehler may have had a financial backer influence his stand on this Bill. I question his integrity.

Please DO NOT APPROVE THIS BILL.

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