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Dear Oregon Senators,

My wife and I are residents of Bend and live on the very popular River Trail near Farewell Bend Park. We have been looking forward to the linking of the Tumalo-to-Bend and the Sunriver sections of the Deschutes trail systems. House Bill 2027, through secretive, backroom negotiating threatens that possibility.

Representative Whisnant, in collaboration with some up-stream, up-scale riverside homeowners, is sabotaging the project. His bill was introduced in a way to eliminate public scrutiny or discussion. This was patently anti-democratic and smacks of the corrupt collusion of powerful politicians and landowners often displayed in banana republics.

We urge you to reject this bill and to reject the whole dishonest, secretive process that led to its inception.

Thanks,

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