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In the beginning I thought the bridge was a good idea. However, with more education and research I have learned the impact that it will have on the communities and wild life in the area.

I am opposed to this bridge being built for the following reasons:

1. It will bring more people into a private neighborhood. As the old say goes “you build it and they will come”.
2. River Rim is a private neighborhood where street maintenance is paid for with our homeowners dues. Not city tax dollars. The extra traffic will be an impact on our streets.
3. Parking is at a minimum here and those living nearest the proposed bridge area will be adversely affected. This has happened on the streets near the Central Oregon Irrigation District intake off of Snowbrush.
4. The negative impact on wildlife and water quality. The more people coming to the area the more trash that will be left behind creating more expense for the Parks Dept. for maintenance and increasing their need for more tax funding.
5. The Deschutes river has been impacted downstream buy floaters and a waterpark and the city is talking about how to deal with the trash in the river at that point.
6. There is already a trail on the west side of the river for bikers and hikers to get to forest trails.
7. Many hikers will bring their dogs and we all know what that means. Although most people are good about cleaning up after their dogs it only takes a few to cause a problem. I have seen this happen over the course of years I have been walked the COID trail.
8. If this bridge were to go forward it would set a president for other structures to be constructed.
9. I understand that if this bill is not passed the BPRD can still build the bridge through the immanent domain rule. This seems a bit underhanded and I feel the system is broken. This bill would clarify the law.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my concerns.

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