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**To:** [SENRR Exhibits](#)  
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Dear Senators,

I am emailing to ask you to support HB 2027. I am a native Oregonian and Bend resident who is deeply concerned about the negative consequences of further development and human foot and bike traffic in sensitive habitat. Mule deer and Elk have very few remaining safe places to winter and their numbers are declining as a result. I chose to live near this particular area because of the environmental protections that were in place along the stretch of river that HB 2027 addresses.

HB 2027, in my opinion, supports the economic underpinnings of Bend. Most people who visit, retire or move here to start businesses do so primarily for the pristine environment. If we allow additional human foot and bike traffic into sensitive areas then the charm and quality of the over all environmental experience is at risk. Many people have expressed to me that the garbage and carnival atmosphere that can be seen every warm day on the Deschutes river through Bend is repulsive to them. They, like me, believe it is critical that there be protections for parts of the river to ensure that the entire river and its inhabitants aren't disregarded and abused in the same way. HB 2027 is absolutely essential to protecting these important river sections.

Sincerely,

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