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Senator Michael Dembrow, Chair  
Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee

I am writing to strongly support the enactment of House Bill 2027. Your committee should rightly continue the strong protections put in place by the state of Oregon. Scenic zones are valuable and should not be done away with lightly.

The Bend Parks and Recreation District's (BPRD) attempt to get around state law and undermine existing federal protections of wild and scenic waterways is not justified.

The fact that the House passed the bill without opposition (unanimous vote of those present) proves that the purpose of the bill to preserve the Deschutes River environment is fundamentally correct and represents the opinion of all segments of the state.

The ostensible purpose of the BPRD bridge and attendant structures is to provide a somewhat more convenient access to the west side of the river. Such access already exists and a bit more convenience hardly justifies the building of structures that are detrimental to the existing pristine environment that is home to otters, beavers, hawks, eagles, nesting birds and a variety of aquatic life.

Thank you for helping us preserve the environment.

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