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Please reject this bill. It is a special interest bill by a few property owners near Sunriver who have cajoled their representative to submit it. They are NIMBY's not environmentalists. There are 82,000 plus people living in Bend along both sides of the Deschutes River. Unfortunately, those of us living on the south and east side of the river (about 40,000) do not have direct access to millions of acres of Federal on the west side. We must drive many miles north out of direction to cross the river by CAR and then several more miles west to get the Federal land where we can walk, hike, bike and generally recreate. The option to construct a FOOT BRIDGE across the river south of Bend would allow us to walk or bike across the river and connect with the EXISTING trail system on the west side of the river. Please allow the citizens of Bend the opportunity to explore the option and costs of a footbridge - do not slam the door in our face. Thanks. Mel Oberst, 19865 Robinwood Place, SW Bend

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