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I strongly oppose this poorly executed Bill that does nothing but protect a few homeowners privacy and wishes to horde access to the river. Regardless of ones stance on the bridge in question, the way this bill came to life is nothing short of dishonest back door politics carried out by Mr Whisnant. Do the right thing and toss this bill in the trash where it belongs! The fact is, this section of river is anything but Wild and Scenic. There are over 50 homes on the river in this immediate area. Including the over 3,600ft home owned by Stosh Thompson front and center on the river near the proposed crossing as well as Tim Phillips two riverfront homes. Yes, the same Tim Phillips that helped get this bill slipped through with his influence in Salem. The faux environmental concerns voiced by homeowners in this area is nothing short of hypocritical . If these homeowners cared so much about the deer and elk in this area (which the Elk are gone since River Rim subdivision went in) then why did they build massive houses right on the river? Why did Mr Thompson just sell his other 36 acre riverfront parcel to a developer to build 78 more homes in this alleged fragile habitat? I read Mr Thompsons opposition to the bridge and support of this bill. His actions(building and developing this area) are anything but consistent with his stance on protecting the environment. The Helen Thompson Wild life preserve is nothing more than a future riverfront estate home parcel and currently a view protection corridor for his home on Westside of the riverbank. The reason I point these facts out is to show that the support of this bill based on environmental concerns happen to come from those who by their actions of building massive homes in this area can't truly care so much about the environment. Actual positive environmental impacts will result from connecting the trail and reducing traffic to the already overcrowded Southern crossing that all the East side residents must drive in their automobiles to access this part of the river. Stop this bill now!!!

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