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This is a follow up to my original message supporting HB4029. Over the past several years numerous articles have appeared in The Bulletin regarding the footbridge over the Deschutes River south of Bend. There has been numerous points and counter points contesting the accuracy of statements. I will let you determine what are substantive facts.

What I want to bring to your attention is that The Bulletin has published around 15 editorials on this issue and Eric Lukens, the editor, has written seven of these by my count. One must assume that the Editorials were also directed by Lukens or supported by him. He has a right to use his bully pulpit, but I object to attempting to arouse the public by using phrases regarding HB 4029 as "Think of it as Protect the Views of the Rich Act. Or the Make It Hard for People In Bend to Access the Deschutes National Forest Act." This invokes class warfare, and is in my opinion inappropriate. Furthermore, Lukens inserts partisanship into the issue to support his agenda.

For the record I am a veteran who served my country for 26 years and live on the east side of the river as does Mr. Lukens and I am not rich, at least monetarily.

Semper Fi

Mike Brock