

Dear members of the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee:

I urge you to support House Bill 4029, which would better protect the Deschutes River and stop the setting of a dangerous precedent that would weaken Oregon's Scenic Waterways protection statewide. As you may know, the Deschutes is currently designated as both a State Scenic Waterway and a Federal Wild and Scenic River. Proposed developments including a new pedestrian bridge near Bend would require weakening of those river and public land protections. I am very concerned about any weakening of public land protections and the precedent it would set.

Please vote for HB 4029!

Thank you for your consideration,
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