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**To:** HAGNR Exhibits  
**Subject:** HB 4029

I am writing to express my support for upholding the scenic waterways protection provided in Legislative Concept 49 and ban the building of a bridge in this special section of our Deschutes River. I enjoy hiking in this area on a regular basis and the increased foot and bike traffic and other impacts of the bridge would significantly change this portion of the river. It would be much less enjoyable for me and a bridge is likely to drive me further upstream. The river has been a special place for me since I moved to Bend in 2001, and continues to offer a scenic nature experience. I am concerned also about establishing a precedent of overturning what has been established in the Oregon Scenic Waterways Program.

Please support the bridge ban and uphold our scenic waterways protections.

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