

Hello!

I'm writing to voice my support for HB 4029. Its my opinion that a proposed footbridge would negatively impact the precious little area we have to enjoy legal off-leash walking with our pups. While bend parks and rec has made many positive impacts in our community, off leash dog rights seem to be a very low priority for their agenda. The beauty of central Oregon should be for all to share and most often it seems like the voices of the responsible dog owners are heard the least. This footbridge would bring unwanted volume to our already very busy off- leash trail system. Instead, I would propose that bend parks and rec put that money and focus into developing the east side of the river to develop pathways, walking trails and other amenities that residents would surely welcome.

Thank you for your time,

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