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Dear House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee members:

I am sending you this email asking for your support to protect the Deschutes River by approving House Bill 4029. I live in Central Oregon near the City of Bend. The Deschutes River is a unique and beautiful river providing important habitat for fish and wildlife and scenic and recreational values for the people of Oregon. Its' natural resource values have long been recognized and it was appropriately designated and protected by Congress as a Wild and Scenic River and by the State of Oregon as a State Scenic Waterway. The proposal by the Bend Parks and Recreation Department to build a bridge across the Deschutes River is inconsistent with these designations and would result in a significant weakening of the intent of this protection for the Deschutes River. The existing administrative rule (OAR 736-040-0073) was established many years ago. Now, we need House Bill 4029 to protect the Deschutes River.

Thank you for your efforts to protect the Deschutes River.

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