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I do not believe that Bend needs to continue with such an insatiable appetite for immediate &/or easy accessibility. Certain areas need to remain less accessible for the sake of habitat & to allow places for wildlife to hide. We need to refrain from making every natural area a bike path/foot path/bridge for the masses. In my relatively short (7.5 years) in Bend, I have witnessed many areas go through dramatic changes due to the increase in accessibility. Short cuts through meadows & hillsides, deterioration of sensitive river banks & wetland areas. The elk herds that stay more localized around the river trails have been seen less & less due to more & more people, the noise it brings. Fewer song birds, overall. All of these things should be considered when adding more accessibility.

More accessibility does not make Bend & our surrounding areas automatically better.

I am opposed to adding another bridge-we don't need it.

Thank you for your time-

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