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Comments: No, no, no, please don't transform this beautiful stretch of diverse, riparian habitat into a parking area and amphitheater! I am a regular visitor to the Portal area for birding and walking the South Fork Road is one of my favorite activities for bird photography. We can't keep tearing up wild places and landscapes for human convenience, especially places such as the South Fork that is an essential corridor and habitat, supporting rare and seldom seen bird and mammal species, including the endangered Mexican Spotted Owl. Please do not proceed with this development in this location. Surely there is another place where the impact to the ecosystem would be less detrimental.