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Affected property:

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- The Green Bridges will not achieve their goal of being useful community spaces. Who are they kidding.

With conversing with our customers, most of my customers are in full support of an extended tunnel solution .

NEARLY all our customers had no idea on what was really happening, once we explained it to them , they were in full support with the community design.