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As an avid fly fisherman with three young children who increasingly love exploring wild Maine I am adamantly opposed to weakening mining laws that may adversely impact our wild rivers and wild places. Maine's heritage as a sportsman's paradise has navigated a precarious path alongside the industrial use of our forests and rivers. We seem to be—finally—turning a corner where species are being given a chance to fully recover and return to historic spawning grounds. PLEASE do not entertain new regulations that weaken our mining laws as is being proposed by the Governor in relation to Bald Mountain.

Thank you for your service on behalf of Maine, its people and its natural environment.

Sincerely,

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