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Dear Members of the BEP,

My name is Ashley Hooper, I recently learned about the proposed mining laws.

The rules are problematic because:

- Allow mining on and under Maine's spectacular Public Reserved Lands.
- Allow tailing impoundments, the most dangerous type of mine waste disposal facility.
- Leave Maine taxpayers on the hook for mining disasters, which happen far too often
- Allow even the most hazardous parts of mines-such as waste rock piles and tailing ponds-in floodplains and flood hazard areas.

I think you shouldn't do anything that would hurt nature around there, and I believe these rules do not protect the environment.

Sincerely a concerned person,
Ashley Hooper