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Dear BEP,

I oppose the mining rules under consideration because in my understanding they would allow mining on/under public reserved lands, allow tailings impoundments, allow waste rock piles and tailing impoundments in floodplains and flood hazard areas, and leave cleanup costs on Maine taxpayers.

We need to transition to a society that relies less on extraction and consumption, especially since mining companies are focused more on short-term profit than on long-term environmental and cultural impact.

Please write very strict mining laws that discourage extraction.

Thank you,

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