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First let me thank you for the opportunity to voice my concern with regards to the question of open pit mining in Maine. As a property owner of many years I have been careful to take every opportunity to protect the environment and treasure the natural beauty.

While I can understand the lure of 300 promised jobs, or the luster of Gold I cannot ignore the experiences already witnessed in similar sites such as the Callahan mine or the Polley mine. Supporters suggest that it is possible to mine and not contaminate adjacent waterways. That waste Water and acidic rock could be contained within the mines perimeters.

Reminds me of the situations posed on the national scene by our nuclear waste and its radio-active waste storage. Supporters argued that these materials wouldnt pose problems.

Please take whatever action is necessary to safeguard the pristine forests and waterways, the beauty we call Maine.

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