

Sender Email: timatwater@juno.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I strongly urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. All four dams should come down, starting immediately. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they’ve been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine’s water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Atwater, Tim

Wells, ME

Sender Email: tom.aversa@gmail.com

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not allow restoration of populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

aversa, tom

Unity, ME

Sender Email: iebaily@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. It's vital to deny these applications. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. There is no good or helpful reason to try them out here. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. We have seen how such a restoration project works, from planning to implementation, for the long term, so we know it can be done, and know what the ingredients are to make that happen. The applications under consideration don't offer hope of success. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards, for the benefit of the water and environment that are affected by these four dams. Thank you for considering my comments,

Baily, Ingrid
Parsonsfield, ME

Sender Email: ajaxrfb@yahoo.com

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. The Kennebec dams time after time have been shown to be a hindrance to the migrating fish populations within the natural flows of the river. Thank you for considering my comments,

Bialka, Robert

Owls Head, ME

Sender Email: runtide@aol.com

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments, I wish you well. I wish you wisdom.

Campbell, Patricia L.
Scarborough, ME

Sender Email: robert.conrad@maine.edu

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Message:

My name is Robert Conrad and I am a biologist in Maine. I got my degree from the University of Maine, graduating SCL in 2022. In 2023 alone I hiked over 500 miles on the lower Sebasticook and Kennebec river in Ticonic Bay. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before, like on the Penobscot River, where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Conrad, Robert
Waterville, ME

Sender Email: scottdcraig1@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River- as you did regarding the Union River Hydroelectric Project in Ellsworth! The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. I am a certified fisheries professional through the American Fisheries Society with over 30 years of Salmonid restoration experience. Similar rivers (Columbia and Snake in Washington, Oregon and Idaho) have multiple dams that significantly impact Endangered Salmon habitat by both impeding fish passage and degrade water quality. Atlantic salmon and other catadromous-anadromous fish in the Kennebec will never be restored with four hydroelectric projects in the Lower River! I therefore urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards and begins a path towards restoring native fish populations in the Kennebec River for the continued benefits of Maine and the American Public. Thank you for considering my comments,

Craig, Scott
Winterport, ME

Sender Email: rivendellhousebnb@mac.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Please deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, and similar fish passage systems have failed wherever they have been tried. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Cressy, Jacquelyn

Topsham, ME

Sender Email: sydneycromwell@gmail.com

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I live on the Sebasticook River, below these dams, and I enjoy seeing the alewives run up the river each May. It's a wonderful sign of the health of the river, and I think the rest of the Kennebec should be open to sea-run fish in the same way. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Cromwell, Sydney
Winslow, ME

Sender Email: ldartt@fairpoint.net

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. You have models that have worked, time to use them instead of just passing through the methods that have not worked. Thank you for considering my comments,

Dartt, Linda
Montville, ME

Sender Email: wheeleramps@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

It is my opinion that the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River should be denied. Based on the information I've seen, it appears that the fish passage system proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). These systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations in Maine, like on the Penobscot River - where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for your consideration and for all the good work you do.

Deveney, Robyn
Oakland, ME

Sender Email: viddietrich@yahoo.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. I grew up in Orrington, Maine and as a child was appalled at the level of water pollution that the Penobscot River was burdened with. Fortunately the Clean Water Act did wonders for cleaning up the Penobscot River. However we still have a long way to go to restore the populations of sea run fish that historically were so abundant in our great Maine rivers. We are not the only creatures that live on this wonderful planet, but sometimes we act like we are. Please do the right thing. Make a bold move to restore sea run fish on the Kennebec. Recreational businesses will flourish. Future generations will be grateful. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Dietrich, David
Blue Hill, ME

Sender Email: tx22@tidewater.net

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

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I'm writing to urge you to please deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. Please to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Eckstrand, Tatyana
Waldoboro, ME

Sender Email: estabrookrichard@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. What bothers me so much about this is that if approved these approvals will be for thirty to fifty years. I want to see the spawning grounds not only for salmon in particular but all anadromous species that are native to Maine have a reasonable opportunity to make it to the Sandy River and other tributaries. I am not a fisherman. I have no financial interest in either the dams or the fish. I simply want to see the rivers of Maine restored to what they were once and what they deserve to be again: waters that flow unimpeded to the sea. We have no idea of what kind of energy saving innovations will be devised even ten years from now, let alone twenty or thirty years from now. I believe that alternatives will be developed and will become financially feasible. I urge you to not lock in to these dams for the long term. I urge you to require fish passage in the Kennebec that restores the historical levels of fish that the river supported. This beautiful ecosystem deserves no less. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Estabrook, Richard
Brunswick, ME

Sender Email: follansb@maine.rr.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to strongly urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications submitted for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams are inadequate and they fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). This is not surprising, because the proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These ineffective and outdated approaches for fish management will NOT help to restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel for sportsmen in Maine. We have seen successful river restorations before—like those on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared, effective solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Follansbee, Mark
Scarborough, ME

Sender Email: rona@sustainablebusiness.com

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Message:

This time of year, sea-run fish like alewives, shad, and endangered Atlantic salmon return from the ocean to Maine's rivers, But on the Kennebec River, these fish are still hitting walls. Four dams between Waterville and Skowhegan are blocking access to the Sandy River, which is some of the best remaining spawning habitat for Atlantic salmon in the US. Please DO NOT relicense these dams. The fish passages proposals under review won't work. We need a real solution that restores the Kennebec River and gives sea-run fish a chance. If DEP approves the Water Quality Certification applications for these dams, we won't have another chance to make things right for 30-50 years!! The fish passage proposals for the 4 dams don't meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Fried, Rona

Casco, ME

Sender Email: sundance102@outlook.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Although I live in York County, the health of all of Maine's rivers is important to me. I would urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Garber, Connie

Sanford, ME

Sender Email: bethehagens@gmail.com

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Message:

I'm a thirty year transplant to Maine from California. I have seen my share of environmental disaster in that sad state. Maine is slowly moving toward similar environmental disasters but has been pleased with a lot of seniors who know the ropes and see the disaster coming if we do not deal appropriately with the the Kennebec dams. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Hagens, Elizabeth
Kennebunkport, ME

Sender Email: masterharrell@gmail.com

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. As a Kennebec river resident I am deeply concerned about the long-term health of the river and its ecosystems. Thank you for considering my comments,

Harrell, Henry
Augusta, ME

Sender Email: heinz@gwi.net

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I beseech you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. What Brookfield has proposed to effect fish passage is a Rube Goldberg scheme (see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rube_Goldberg) so complex that NO ONE believes that it will work. As they are doing at the Ellsworth Project, Brookfield's true agenda is to delay relicensing while they continue to operate the projects under the existing licenses. Further delay will make recovery of the species impossible. The methodology in use to restore Atlantic salmon of the Gulf of Maine Distinct Population Segment requires all critical habitat be restored, and NONE is more critical than the Kennebec Watershed. Please don't doom the species to extirpation from Maine waters, its last native habitat in the United States.

Heinz, Stephen

Cumberland Foreside, ME

Sender Email: andreaahelm1325@gmail.com

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Message:

I live on a lake with a dam, and if that dam went away we'd have 10s of feet of muck in front of our house, so I get it. But I know we can find smart ways to maintain healthy ecosystems, and I'd like to believe Maine holds itself to a very high standard in this regard. Please deny the Water Quality Certification applications for four dams on the lower Kennebec River so that a better solution can be found for sea-run fish. Thank you for your consideration,
Andrea

Helm, Andrea
Stoneham, ME

Sender Email: mjherz@gmail.com

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Herz Ph.D., Michael
Damariscotta, ME

Sender Email: erikh@sebagotu.org

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage systems proposed have failed on every other river where they've been tried — making these new proposals a failure from the start. These are outdated approaches, and they will not help to restore numbers of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel to the population numbers needed for this ecosystem. Additionally, the fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard (as classified: Class B waters in Maine), which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The Penobscot River is an example of successful restoration efforts — where agencies, community members, tribes, and advocates came together to develop a shared solution that can actually improve access to habitat and meet the defined water quality standards. Please reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for your consideration.

Heumiller, Erik
Biddeford, ME

Sender Email: dbh@suiattle.org

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. You may feel that this is a standard template letter, but it expresses exactly my opinions on this topic. You should not approach relicensing of these four dams. They only provide 4 % of the power generated in Maine, a number that is quickly dropping as more solar comes online. Thank you for considering my comments,

Hinckley, Dan
Phippsburg, ME

Sender Email: kath@tds.net

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Please deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. Why? The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have FAILED on every other river where they’ve been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine’s water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Holland, Katherine
Rockland, ME

Sender Email: shorine3@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing as a resident living on the bank of the Kennebec to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. To allow a poor solution to restoring fish in the river for another 30 to 50 years is just wrong. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Horine, Sam
Skowhegan, ME

Sender Email: ros100@verizon.net

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I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. >>>>>The dams should be removed Thank you for considering my comments,

Ivens, Rosalind
Bucksport, ME

Sender Email: msleesiamese@yahoo.com

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Message:

URGENT! I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Jean, Carole
Portland, ME

Sender Email: cjohnsonnrcm@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I recently paddled the Sebasticook River between Benton and Winslow. We saw alewives jumping out of the water and swimming everywhere, commercial lobstermen harvesting alewives for bait, and close to 100 eagles! Millions, literally, of alewives now make it up to Benton. That is what happens when dams that no longer serve their original purposes are removed and fish passage strategies that actually work are installed. Proper river restoration works. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Johnson, Cathy

Alna, ME

Sender Email: jenny_th5@me.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Hello. As a fellow Mainer, I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Kastelic, Jennifer
Portland, ME

Sender Email: mkoenig@msad11.org

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

The applications for the 4 dams on the Kennebec River should be denied. We have seen how successful restoring rivers can be like the Penobscot River. Deny these applications and restore fish populations. Thanks

Koenig, Mark

Farmingdale, ME

Sender Email: susanne.lee@maine.edu

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. I am so proud of Maine becoming a leader and model of 'doing the right thing' and proving that such research-grounded, collaborative solutions yield economic, social and environmental benefits for all. Your job is environmental protection; please stand up for the environment. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Lee, Susanne

North Yarmouth, ME

Sender Email: steve@stephenrlewis.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

We must protect, and restore!, effective fish migration patterns to promote tourism and a healthy ecology. I urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. These hydro projects contribute little to the grid and prevent spawning of valuable fish populations. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they’ve been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine’s water quality standards and promotes tourism and a healthy ecology. Thank you for considering my comments,

Lewis, Stephen
Stoneham, ME

Sender Email: andy@campwinnebago.com

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Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments.

lilienthal, andrew
South Portland, ME

Sender Email: j.m@jmforestry.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

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Maier, Jake
Orland, ME

Sender Email: martinsharondezzani@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

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Martin, Sharon
Turner, ME

Sender Email: gmillert@yahoo.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

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Millert, Greg
Brunswick, ME

Sender Email: jmitsche@sjcme.edu

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

While I did not write what follows, I agree with it completely so I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

MITSCHLE, C J

New Gloucester, ME

Sender Email: moran.tom@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to respectfully urge Commissioner Loyzim, Deputy Commissioner Madore, and the full Maine DEP team to collectively seek better solutions for a healthy Kennebec, and deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Moran, Thomas

Wayne, ME

Sender Email: katemor52@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. I'm an environmental planning and policy student at USM. Fully restored ecosystems, such as rivers that flow freely, offer more economically by supporting robust fish stock and more accessible boating and recreational access. Free flowing rivers are also more resilient to drought and flooding, a necessary consideration as the state stares down climate change. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Morin, Kathryn

Gorham, ME

Sender Email: jodie@northpond.net

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Hello, my name is Jodie Mosher. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. I have been informed that the fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). Please think about how amazing it would be to have spawning locations wide open for the fish again!! The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Mosher, Jodie
Smithfield, ME

Sender Email: mullerjudith153@gmail.com

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Muller, Judith
Old Town, ME

Sender Email: ksocarroll@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. I am the retired owner of a commercial diving and fishing company/A Seafood Exporter to Asia. I have spent my life on and under the sea! I understand the importance of free flowing rivers for fish spawning! Please follow the science and the experience of commercial fishermen! The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

O'Carroll, Kevin
Harpwell, ME

Sender Email: mainebanjos@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm a Maine resident with years of experience fishing the saltwater, lakes and estuaries of the East coast, and the rivers and ponds of Maine. I am outraged by the proposed hydroelectric certifications. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Odell, Jay
Belfast, ME

Sender Email: arpedreschi@netscape.net

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Pedreschi, Ann
Holden, ME

Sender Email: davidphillips11@yahoo.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Please reject the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they’ve been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine’s water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Phillips, David
South Portland, ME

Sender Email: jgpincince@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

While a sea run fishery won't make money for the dam owners, it could make money for the state and local communities.. An active and healthy fishery will bring in fishermen and women from all areas of Maine and out of state. The dollars spent in the community will create more vibrant local economies. Pride in our rivers and what is in them and how we care for them builds a connection with nature in very positive and uplifting ways. We all need that more than we need dams. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Pincince, John G.

Lincolntown, ME

Sender Email: hplehn@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. It is my understanding that the fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). Time is running out to protect and increase fish populations such as salmon, shad, and eel. The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they’ve been tried. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. Please reject these proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine’s water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Plehn, Harriet M
Scarborough, ME

Sender Email: ikomommaof3@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Hi there! Today I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Potter, Kara

Washington, ME

Sender Email: obdriveway@aol.com

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Pratt, Bruce

Swanville, ME

Sender Email: nolamarleyprevost@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

As a Maine Master Naturalist, I care deeply about the quality of our rivers and aquatic biodiversity. That's why I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which “must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community” (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they’ve been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine’s water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Prevost, Nola
Brewer, ME

Sender Email: erettenmaier@gmail.com

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Thank you for considering my comments,

Rettenmaier, Elizabeth

Bangor, ME

Sender Email: cschneider@catf.us

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. This past weekend, my future son-in-law and an angler friend and I fished the confluence of the Kennebec River and Cobbosseecontee Stream in Gardiner. Upon arriving at the water park, we were greeted with the sight of two enormous sturgeon breaching. We fished for shad, alewives, and stripers. If the Edwards Dam had not been removed plus a host of other river improvements, we'd never been able to experience that. The river restoration has been a boon to all the towns up to the Lockwood Dam in Waterville. <https://www.centralmaine.com/2023/07/30/community-compass-sturgeons-return-show-power-of-river-restoration-work/> We fished the shad run below Lockwood a couple weeks ago and the shad are stuck. Now there is an opportunity to restore the upper Kennebec and unlock these fish runs further up the watershed. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Schneider, Conrad
Brunswick, ME

Sender Email: lshaffer9095@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

Please deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. With the successes we've had in Maine restoring some alewife runs, please ensure that fish passage solutions on the Kennebec will actually work. There are many beneficial reasons to ensure adequate fish passage. One is that Maine fishermen and women and the lobster fishery benefit significantly with plentiful alewives and other bait fish. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for reading and considering,

Shaffer, Linda
New Harbor, ME

Sender Email: lbsherma@yahoo.com

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Sherman, Levering
Bangor, ME

Sender Email: lilflyinfinn@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

This email is misleading and I encourage you too tell these people sending this crap to put in fish ladders instead of doing to our state what California has done to theirs ! I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Sillanpaa, Jesse
Industry, ME

Sender Email: mike.the.slone@gmail.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

The well-being of our rivers and the fish who need them for spawning is paramount to the well-being of the people of Maine. To restore our fisheries, it is urgent that salmon, shad, alewives and others pass freely up and down the Kennebec river. We have seen that the fish passages being proposed do not work. And we know what does work: free passage through undammed waters. Restoring our fisheries is good for the environment but also economically good for the state. It will allow Maine fishermen in the future to make a living. I urge the DEP to reject proposals to renew permits for these dams. In the name of our children, our waters, our fishery, our economy, and our right to self-determination, please reject the proposed permits and let our rivers flow free. Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Slone, Michael

Belfast, ME

Sender Email: rlwaller36@yahoo.com

Subject: Lower Kennebec Dams WQC Opportunity to Comment

Message:

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Waller, Rhoda
Anson, ME

Sender Email: cycsdesign@yahoo.com

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Weisgerber, Eric

Owls Head, ME

Sender Email: jim.wescott10@gmail.com

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Wescott, Jim

Windham, ME

Sender Email: polwheelock@yahoo.com

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Message:

I have lived on the shores of the Kennebec for over forty years, and the quality of the water has improved in significant ways in that time. Yet, none of the fish passage methods have permitted an adequate supply or diversity of fish to move upriver and reach the Sandy River. I'm writing to encourage you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. Outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. Reject these ineffective proposals and support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Let's not delay this any longer. The dams are not critical in meeting our alternative energy needs, and companies that rely on the Kennebec for water will continue to have access to it as a resource. Thank you for considering my comments,

Wheelock, Pol
Fairfield, ME

Sender Email: lucindawhite@gmail.com

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White, Lucinda

Freeport, ME

Sender Email: henry.whittemore@gmail.com

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Whittemore, Henry

Readfield, ME

Sender Email: pwill@dac-hvac.com

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As a lifelong Maine canoeist and hiker I care deeply about the health of Maine fisheries and ecosystem. After year of dams blocking migration and spawning habitat of so many searun fishes across Maine we have made some incredible progress but have more work to do. The next huge opportunity to open up more Maine rivers to Atlantic salmon and other searun fisheries is the relicensing of 4 more dams on the Kennebec. I'm writing to urge you to deny the Water Quality Certification applications for the Lockwood, Hydro Kennebec, Shawmut, and Weston Hydroelectric Projects along the lower Kennebec River. The fish passage proposals for these four dams fail to meet the legal water quality standard for Class B waters in Maine, which "must be of sufficient quality to support all aquatic species indigenous to those waters without detrimental changes in the resident biological community" (Title 38 M.R.S. §465). The proposed fish passage systems have failed on every other river where they've been tried. These outdated approaches will not restore populations of Atlantic salmon, river herring, American shad, or American eel. We have seen successful river restorations before—like on the Penobscot River—where agencies, communities, tribes, and advocates came together for a shared solution. I urge you to reject these ineffective proposals and instead support a plan that meets Maine's water quality standards. Thank you for considering my comments,

Will, Patrick
Falmouth, ME

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Amato, Karen

Stockton Springs, ME

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Andrews, Penelope
Hermon, ME

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Oakland, ME

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Arbre, Noah

Bath, ME

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Armbrecht, Thomas
Camden, ME

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Arthur, Erika
Freedom, ME

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Beckman, Siri

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Camden, ME

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Benedict, Denise
Saco, ME

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Durham, ME

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Portland, ME

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Waterville, ME

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Rumford, ME

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Bourne, Kate

Tenants Harbor, ME

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Oakland, ME

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South China, ME

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Biddeford, ME

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Augusta, ME

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Briggs, Martha
Windham, ME

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Bronson, Rick
Lincoln, ME

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York, ME

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