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I write with deep concern regarding the proposed expansion of Juniper Ridge landfill. After serious consideration I recognize that the public will not benefit from this proposed expansion.

I am in full agreement with the Conservation Law Foundation and Penobscot Nations letter to you of 7/31/24 that states that "Approving the application would run counter to the State's Solid Waste Hierarchy that mandates promoting waste reduction, diversion and recycling and would further exacerbate the State's failure to achieve the statutory waste reduction and recycling goals laid out in 38 M.R.S.A., 2132"

Because Juniper Ridge Landfill continues to accept out of state waste containing Construction and Demolition Debris, surrounding regions and those downstream are at increased risk of surface water, groundwater and soil contamination. Disposal of these materials is banned In Massachusetts, a source of waste brought to Juniper Ridge. These materials impact the health and well being of those in Maine. They should not be accepted in our state!! In addition, and to emphasize a point, effluent from Nine Dragons outflow pipe containing the proposed Leachate from SRL has been found to contain PFAS.

Please do not permit this expansion. Sincerely, Jean Stewart and Henry Washburn