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Dear Department of Environmental Protection,

I am very concerned about the plans to expand the Juniper Ridge Landfill. The proposed expansion does not meet the DEP requirement that the "Public Benefit" include environmental justice for the adjacent communities, including the Penobscot Nation.

I frequently travel on the upper Penobscot Bay throughout the summer and I live in a farming community that has been deeply affected by PFA contamination. I am upset that the "processed leachate" that is released into the surrounding watershed has been shown to contain PFA's, yet the leachate is not monitored or treated to remove the PFAs. Without additional regulations and treatment, expansion of the landfill will just expand the PFA pollution.

Please consider the lives and health of the surrounding communities and those of us who enjoy the Penobscot River and Bay and do not approve expansion of the Juniper Ridge Landfill.

Thank you, Paul Forman MD, Albion, and Belfast, Maine