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Cynthia Bertocci

Dear Cynthia Bertocci,

Please deliver these comments to the chair and members of the BEP. Thank you.

Dear Chairman Parker and members of the Board of Environmental Protection:

Once again you are presented with weak mining rules. I am very concerned that these rules would allow mining corporations to pollute our water. They would allow mining on and under Maine's spectacular Public Reserved Lands, allow tailings impoundments, the most dangerous type of mine waste disposal facility, and allow the most hazardous parts of mines—including wasterock piles and tailings ponds—in floodplains and flood hazard areas. In addition, these rules would not protect taxpayers from having to pay for the cleanup of mining disasters.

Many people in Maine including guides, commercial fishermen, and sporting camp owners depend on Maine's clean water and abundant fish and wildlife for their livelihoods. Mining pollution would be a grave threat to these resources. Please follow the lead of both the 126th and 127th Legislatures, and reject these rules.

Sincerely,

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