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comment on the "Petition to Modify Maine's Solid Waste Management Rules"

To whom it may concern,

We, in Maine, do not want to be the dumping grounds for all of New England.

We want the rules changed to prevent out-of-state generated waste from trashing our state.

The watersheds of our rivers make this place the beautiful ecosystem it is and is the reason I moved here about a decade ago and the reason I stay and contribute my labor and taxes. Please do not allow the short-sighted policies of our neighboring states create ecological devastation here. Water is life and a policy of accepting out-of-state generated waste means pollution and death.

Govern wisely, protect what's important and change the rules!

Thank you,

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