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I am and have been watching the hearings taking place in Farmington regarding the proposed CMP corridor. I am listening to experts on Maine fish, wildlife, and land management testify and be cross examined. This is the group of which Jeff Reardon is a part. These people who know and understand the area and the species are being grilled by lawyers representing groups in favor of the project. These lawyers who I assume know little of the issues of that area and wildlife in the area are asking questions of minutia in order to minimize the testimony of these people. It is disheartening to watch these people who love the area and wildlife have to ordeal this. I am impressed with their patience and knowledge.

This fragile area with logging projects, camps, etc. already has managed to survive with the help of people such as these experts. I sincerely hope your board will place emphasis on the experts' testimony who have the best interest of the area at heart. CMP and other groups have a much different interest, namely economical, in this area than those of these people who are testifying. Finally, winter deer yards can and should not be disturbed at all. I fully agree with the gentleman who spoke of blowdown after a swath of the deer yard has been cut. Deer need as much contiguous acreage as necessary to survive the winter weather and predators.

The state of Maine has too much to lose in this proposition. Please rule to not give CMP the go-ahead to carry out this project.