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LD 1450

My name is David Robinson and am a resident of Steep Falls. (Standish) I support passage of LD 404 to allow the Mountain Division corridor to become a trail and LD 1450 to help fund the building of the trail.

I am a frequent user of the Eastern Trail in Scarborough and an occasional user of the Windham – Standish Mt Division trail.. and also the Fryeburg section of the trail.

These converted rails to trails provide wonderful opportunities for me, my children and grandchildren to safely bike the Maine outdoors. Otherwise, there are no safe places for us to ride. If built, we'd be able to access the trail in Steep Falls and ride all day without competing with auto and truck traffic.. and get great exercise as well.

I've lived in Steep Falls for 45 years. There are very few job opportunities out here.. and fewer still as you travel west and north. The trail would provide a much needed boost to the local economies in the rural towns along the trails. Bike rentals? Bed & breakfasts? Sandwich and beverage stops? There are many possibilities. These economic opportunities will only occur if the trail is built.

I'm excited for the possibilities. I strongly encourage our lawmakers to support these two bills.

Thank you,
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