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LD 511

I live in Yarmouth and I urge the Transportation Committee to vote in support of LD 511. Previous "point to point" trail projects in southern Maine have seen an excellent return on investment in enhancing physical activity, healthy behavior, and quality of life for your constituents. I am a sports medicine physician and have routinely recommended use of these trails for patients who do not otherwise have access to healthy recreational activity. An interim trail from Portland to Auburn would improve public health, protect the environment, connect to public transit, and provide options for people who don't drive, or simply want to drive less. Please vote "ought to pass."