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In case you haven't noticed, riding your bike or walking along the roadways north of Portland is a dangerous activity. I've lived in North Yarmouth for about 10 years and have eyed this abandoned-looking railway that criss-crosses North Road here. It's a perfect way to connect several land trust properties in our town, as well as provide a safe off-road way to travel to Pineland in New Gloucester or to Yarmouth, Falmouth or Portland. Former train lines across America have become active non-motorized transportation and recreation routes and vital community connectors. We have a great role model with Maine's Eastern Trail. Please implement the RUAC's recommendation to create this trail from Portland all the way to Auburn -- connecting two of our largest population centers in our state. Thank you.