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LD 511

I live in Raymond, Maine and I urge the Transportation Committee to vote in support of LD 511. 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.

Additionally, this is an excellent economic stimulator for communities through which the trail passes. Studies find that many small businesses are created to support those riding on new establish trails, including cafes and restaurants, bicycle repair, clothing retail and other businesses that become more appealing because of new ways to commute to them.

Please vote "ought to pass." Thank you.