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I live in Yarmouth and am an avid user of Casco Bay, so I'm very concerned about the use of toxic chemicals in firefighting foam and urge that they be banned.

Specifically: PFAS Poses Serious Health Risks – These chemicals have been linked to harmful effects on human health, including cancer, immune system suppression, and developmental issues. Maine must act now to remove AFFF and prevent further contamination.

PFAS Are Persistent and Widespread – PFAS break down very slowly and can remain in the environment for hundreds, and even thousands of years. They accumulate in water, air, soil, and living organisms, including people and wildlife. They have been detected across Maine and the world.

Protect Public Health – Mainers deserve safe drinking water and communities free from toxic chemicals.

Safeguard Maine's Waterways – Clean water is essential to our way of life, fisheries, economy, and environment. Protecting it is our responsibility.

Safer Alternatives Exist – States like New Hampshire and Colorado have moved away from AFFF and created collection programs. Maine must do the same.