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LD 735

The Maine State Legislature should be ashamed of itself for voting a year ago (April 2024) to allow destruction of the sand dunes on Sears Island.

Environmental safeguards, whether federal or regional, should not be reversible on a whim or because suddenly that protection is inconvenient!

The dunes went on the chopping block because they were “in the way” for the construction of the proposed wind port placement on Sears Island. Now that the project is very likely dead in the water (an appropriate term) due to both lack of funding and the present administration’s view of wind power, a reversal of that for protecting shorelines and providing vital habitat for numerous wildlife species, including endangered piping plovers and least terns, acting as a natural buffer against storms and sea-level rise.

There is no reason to allow the dunes to be removed now...pass LD735.