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LD 1140

My name is Ken Morse. I live in Norway and I co-coordinate the Maine Food Policy Work Group, which is made up of about 100 individuals and representative of various groups. LD 1140 was selected by our Work Group as a top priority.

So, I'm writing to ask you to support LD 1140.

Maine Agricultural Economy is fundamental to Maine resilience in these troubling times. As global systems are increasingly chaotic, it is of growing importance for Maine to produce our own food to feed our families and children. This Bond is critical as we work to achieve this goal through the operation of the Maine Agriculture, Food System and Forest Products Infrastructure Investment Fund

Supporting working farmland is important to this goal, as is disaster relief as climate change threatens Maine through intense heat, drought and storms.

Having worked for 20 years on school and institutional procurement of Maine products, and given federal cuts that are hurting these goals, the Investment Fund become even more important. Supporting all our food producers is such a wise move for Maine.

Please support this Bond, and many of will work tirelessly to get it passed by Maine citizens.

Thank You