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I urge you to prevent further freshwater wetland destruction and water quality damage by supporting LD 2070. Wetlands help mitigate climate fluctuations by absorbing tons of CO2 annually and they are contributors to our economy thru their support of our fisheries, our recreational opportunities and our ability to enjoy the flora and fauna in our biome. Maine attracts many visitors and residents because of our support for a healthy and beautiful environment.

Maine should not be accepting out of state wastes. Many residents of our states are aware of the costs of disposing of wastes and recycling and of the need to conserve our resources. Other states would profit from having their residents increasingly aware of the cost of waste disposal. They should be aware that one's wastes cannot disappear in a distant location!

We MUST resist the pressure and influence from those who would set profits above doing what is right and best for our communities. The Penobscot River is a very special place over my long lifetime and I expect it to be there for many generations to come, for my grandchildren and great-grandchildren to enjoy as I have.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify regarding this vital legislation!