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I am writing in support of LD 676.

The scientific data supporting the reclassification of the lower section of the Androscoggin River from class C to class B is very strong. The concerns of maintaining these improvements in the river's status is of utmost importance. It is well documented that access to nature and bodies of water improves quality of life. The more recent addition of biking and walking trails, access for kayaking, canoeing and fishing create recreational opportunities for many. It has been exciting to see the development of businesses, restaurants, bars along the river in Auburn and Lewiston. My husband and I frequently walk the downtown river paths followed by dinner downtown. We are positively affected by a healthy Androscoggin river physically, mentally and economically. I support LD 676.