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I live on Toddy Pond in Surry, Maine. I volunteer for courtesy boat inspections, invasive plant patrol surveys, alewife counts and loon counts. Of all the uniquely wonderful assets of the beautiful lake that we all enjoy my favorite are the remarkable nightly loon calls. In my last two years of loon counting there has been a marked decline. I am aware and supportive of sharing the lake to all different users such as boaters, fishers and even jet skis, but certainly we can approach this smartly. Please do not permit boat races. It is potentially dangerous for wildlife and humans. Just last summer, directly across from my home where I swim almost daily, there was a fatal speeding boating accident. The authorization of Maine's Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to take the potential adverse impact of these activities on our resident wildlife and human residents should be clear, protect us all as opposed to increasing our risks. Thank you.