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My name is Severine Fleming. I am an organic farmer and oyster farmer on Cobscook Bay in Pembroke. I as a farmer, as a seaweed harvester, as a coastal landowner, as an aquaculturist, as a conservationist and as a CLAM LOVER. We do not want or need more loud noise, disturbance, airboats or jetskies!

I oppose LD 114 and support LD 89 for several reasons:

- LD 89 slightSly lowers the sound that airboats can emit as they do their work. My farm is also an agro tourism site and attracting guests to the farm requires that I can offer them some degree of peace and quiet. Regular fishing boats, draggers, lobster boats, etc do not disturb peace and quiet and are an appreciated background sound at the farm. Airboat engines sound like a plane taking off and would be vastly different from the working fishing boats that are in our Bay now.

- LD 89 mentions looking at the impact of airboats on wildlife. Part of the reason guests come to my farm is for the wildlife - the shorebirds, the herons, the seals that haul out in front of the farm, and the eagles that land on the ledges. Loud airboat noise will absolutely, I suspect, disturb wildlife on and around my farm and this needs to be taken into account.

Please vote "Ought NOT to pass" on LD 114 and "OUGHT TO PASS" on LD 89.