Tom Larned Kennebunk Pond Association LD 171

Good afternoon, Chairs Baldacci and Roberts, and Distinguished Members of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee.

As Board Chair of the Kennebunk Pond Association, we represent 180 property owners surrounding Kennebunk Pond.

We wholly support LD 171 and its goal of reducing the spread of invasive aquatic plants by reviewing policies and procedures for surface use restrictions and strengthening watercraft inspections at lakes already known to be infested.

Lake Stewards of Maine has trained a cadre of 18 volunteers from Kennebunk Pond to conduct annual surveys of the pond, searching for invasives. With your support of LD 171, hopefully our people will continue to be unsuccessful!