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LD 406

I am writing this testimony in opposition to LD406. I live at 128 Middle Road in Falmouth. I am not in favor of the Casco Bay Trail being constructed. It will be intrusive to me and my neighbors who live along the railroad tracks. I also know that people on the trail will use our property as cut throughs/shortcuts to go onto Middle Road and other places. Who will be in charge of keeping the area clean and free of trash and debris? My yard is already often the local trash can on Middle Road and is often littered with trash people throw out the window of their passing car. My other concern is for the wildlife we have around the neighborhood such as deer, fox and other animals. The noise from the vehicles on I-295 is very loud, and adding a constant stream of people walking by my house is an outright invasion of privacy and property. The home values of the abutting residences to the trail will go down in value as the trail will be a huge detriment when it comes time to sell the abutting houses. It's a question of respecting the people's rights who live on the abutting property. I'm 73 years old and don't want to have to worry about people stealing my belongings I have in my yard including ladders, wheelbarrows, helping themselves to flowers/vegetables in my gardens, etc. There are plenty of other trails in Maine for people to use. How many existing trails are being used now? I respectfully ask you to oppose LD406. Thank you, Regina Furrer