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My name is Meg Zellinger, and I live in Bowdoinham. I am writing in support of LD29. I live on Route 24, and while I have ridden my bicycle on our road, it is always risky, with cars driving by at 50+ m.p.h. Once, riding with my teenage granddaughter, I saw her nearly hit by a passing car when she started to turn off onto another (quieter) road as a car was passing. Thankfully, the driver was paying attention, but it could have turned out so much worse. I periodically walk on the tracks that parallel Route 24, but the tracks and large gravel make a very uneven surface; and bicycling on it would be impossible. I would love to be able to ride my bicycle (safely) to Brunswick and/or to Gardiner, and converting the rail to the Merrymeeting Trail would make this possible for me and for my family.

Thank you for reading this. Please vote "Ought to Pass" on LD25.