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To: [DEP, MiningComments2016](#)
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Dear Board of Environmental Protection:

I am writing to let you know that I strongly oppose any weakening of rules for mines. There is limited amount of water available for use by life and as the world's populations logarithmically bloom, as the climate becomes unsteadier with more droughts and deluges, sources of water are becoming limited and vulnerable. Maine's aquifers are much more important to protect than the comparatively small number of people who might benefit from mining jobs. I live in Brooksville Maine and we are still effected by mining activity here, not only because it has polluted our water. The tailings are being carted away by the truckload causing wear and tear on our roads and increasing pollution of air. Consider strengthening laws which encourage recycling of materials as a source of minerals and metals instead of weakening laws which cause harm.

Sincerely,
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