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**From:** Brian Lincoln <brian.lincoln@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 14, 2023 7:39 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Cc:** Gray Lincoln  
**Subject:** Public Comment

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I have just reviewed the updated submission from Wolfden. It is troubling to me that there is no focus on the potentially hazardous metals / chemicals that may be in the wastewater, or that may be in tailings, etc. that rain runoff can pick up and contaminate the entire downstream watershed. Obviously we are having more events of heavy precipitation which results in extreme runoff (as evidenced by the late December storm with heavy rain melting snow and causing many washouts. If this mine is permitted, how much heavy metal (plus arsenic, mercury, etc.) will be washed into our remaining pristine streams and rivers, resulting in fish that can't be consumed, public health advisories, and impairment of the state's tourist industry which brings a multiple of the jobs promised by Wolfden.

I urge you to ensure that all impacts are fully understood and to reject the current plan due to multiple risks and shortcomings.

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## Carr, Tim

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**From:** Green, Kiana  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 18, 2023 7:28 AM  
**To:** Carr, Tim; Beyer, Stacie R  
**Subject:** FW: Wolfden mine

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**From:** gale-home <gale-home@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 16, 2023 11:03 AM  
**To:** LUPC <LUPC@maine.gov>  
**Subject:** Wolfden mine

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I just read this in Bangor Daily News:

In response to the LUPC questions regarding the spraying of mining wastewater onto area land, Wolfden engineers compared the system to town water treatment plants spraying sewage onto fields. They said they will spray treated water from the mining operation, emulating rain and snow, over 31 acres and seven of 17 wetland areas.

Is this response acceptable to the LUPC? Did we learn anything from the pfas sludge debacle? Emulating rain and snow contaminated with what? Wolfden missed your deadline so drop this project now!

Gale Flanders  
East Sangerville

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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**From:** Kara P <ikomommaof3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 21, 2023 10:51 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Wolfden Mine

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Greetings,

I'm a resident of Mt Chase, Maine and am writing to express my hope that the zoning permit for Wolfden's metallic mineral mine will be denied.

Allowing this mine to move forward in this area is short sighted. While I understand some community members see the promise of jobs in this economically disadvantaged area as the main reason to approve this mine - the jobs are temporary - just 10 years. When the minerals run out, so do the jobs. This is no better/different than the current industries area residents currently work in - and actually could be worse, much worse.

Many want their children to stay in the area. But this mine won't promote that either. Helping Patten, Stacyville, Mt.Chase and other area towns develop industries that could actually provide lasting jobs would be a better use of the time and energy being devoted by local officials to supporting this mine. Also, many of our children leave the area to go to college. They want to return, but mining jobs aren't what will bring them back. In fact many of this generation are also interested in protecting the environment - not temporary mining jobs that will have them underground for 7 days straight.

In addition, no one will want to return to an area damaged by metallic mining. Waterways no one can drink from. Hunting and fishing, two big hobbies for locals, and economic draws to the area currently, won't be of any interest anymore once the area is busy with mining traffic and/or the waterways polluted. Four wheeling and snowmobiling will likely be impacted as well - also economic draws to our area.

While I understand they have plans for preventing pollution from their mine, what will they do if things don't go as planned, and that does actually happen? What if it happens after they're gone? How will they compensate the towns for permanently destroying our most reliable form of income, tourism? How will they help us with our health and any exposure we may have to endure? Once the production of sulfuric acid has begun, it can be difficult to stop, polluting waterways for decades, that's long after Wolfden has run its mine near our home for 10 years.

It's also important to note that previous comments by Wolfden's CEO disrespecting Maine tribes (whose land would be greatly impacted by this mine) and our mining laws show they have no interest in bettering our community, only in getting these minerals out of the ground and the money for them into their pockets.

I'm hopeful that the LUPC will take into account the environmental and health risks associated with this mine for all the communities surrounding it and those downstream, and not allow the zoning permit approval.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Kara Potter

Mt. Chase, Maine

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**From:** Thomas Potter <tom@potterbuildingcompany.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 22, 2023 8:35 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Wolfden Mine

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I'm writing this to express my concern over the proposed rezoning of Pickett Mtn for a heavy metals mine in the Patten area. As a resident of Mt. Chase, I'm very concerned that approval of the rezoning for the mine would not be moving our community in the right direction.

While there may be the promise of jobs, there is no guarantee that these positions will be filled by members of our community.

And if they are available to us locals, are they really the type of jobs we are looking for?

Yes our youth need opportunities, but as a dad of 3, I believe the mine will have the opposite effect and be a reason why more of our young adults leave the area, they don't want mining jobs.

Furthermore, these jobs are relatively short term (the mine says it will operate for 10 yrs. Where will folks find work then?) all with the possibility of long term health affects.

If the mine brings workers from outside the local area, where will they live for their 7 days on shift? This could bring additional issues for our community no one has discussed yet.

Plus worker camps (often referred to as man camps) are documented to increase instances of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW), an important consideration given the location of the camp near tribal lands.

When we move beyond the carrot of employment, what does the proposed mine offer our community besides a potential environmental mess that could last for generations to come?

Plus the location for the mine is right in an area that outdoorsmen use regularly. Outdoorsmen and women who do contribute to our local economy and have consistently for years. They will find somewhere else for peace and tranquility if a mine is built.

For all these reasons I feel it is vital the Wolfden Mine permit for rezoning of Pickett mountain be denied.

Pickett mountain should stay a mountain. Not be Re zoned into a mine

Thank you for your time,  
Tom Potter  
Mt Chase, Maine

PO Box 82  
Island Falls, Me 04747

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April 25, 2023

Members of the Maine Land Use Planning Commission:

I'm hoping it's not too late to submit comments regarding the Pickett Mountain mining project for which Wolfden is seeking approval. You certainly have a much better grasp of the science and permitting procedures than I do. But I'd like to offer my opinions on the "people" side of this discussion.

We are fortunate to live in this area of Maine. More people are just beginning to realize what we have here. Most of us have taken it for granted for a very long time. And now it seems to some of us that this entire area may be on the verge of a tremendous change.

The promise of hundreds of jobs is a hard one to resist. Nobody would argue that our entire region is not economically challenged. So to grab onto a shiny promise is tempting. However, these do not seem to be job opportunities that will appeal to or benefit most of the young people for whom we want more options for employment. Wolfden has bluntly admitted that a large proportion of the jobs would go to workers brought into the area, and there doesn't seem to be any indication that these workers would stay on after the mine closes. A company representative told a group in Island Falls that the mine would benefit our local economy, since Jerry's grocery store and Porters' filling station would likely be able to hire a couple of more people. Not what most of us mean when we hear "hundreds of job opportunities."

In the past several years, this area has started to find its footing somewhat with continued interest in Baxter Park and now Katahdin Woods and Waters. It's not going to mean hundreds of local jobs, but it has put us on the map as an area of wilderness beauty and recreation. We have something to offer that is becoming more and more important to many people. To risk spoiling it for 5-10 years of mining operation does not seem like a good bargain for anyone except Wolfden.

Island Falls, on the banks of the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River and wonderfully close to Mattawamkeag Lake, is my hometown. My husband and I raised our children, now adults, in Crystal. We have always canoed, kayaked, hiked, and boated on the local waterways, all part of the same watershed that is situated close to Pickett Mountain. To approve a mining facility in the area, with a company that hasn't proven it can do what it says it can do, seems irresponsible, frightening, and unwise.

Thanks for the work you do.

Sincerely,

*Annette M. Stevens*

## My Views on the Mining Project in Northern Maine

By Patten Resident

To the residents of Maine, I ask you to consider the following comments regarding the mining project in Hersey, Maine. Southern Maine is thriving in an economy far superior to Northern Maine. The children of Northern Maine have had to move away to find jobs and are no longer able to stay with the family as in the past. Our tax mil rate is now almost 30% and many people cannot afford to own homes. There are very few jobs available, therefore many people are now low to moderate income residents.

We all love our beautiful forests, mountains and streams however it is going to be a barren wasteland and a place to wait for the hospice houses if we don't get this mining project. To Mr. Nick Bennett of Natural Resources Council of Maine, I say this. Your advocacy company has reaped over 15 million dollars in donations to advocate for a safe and secure economy in Maine. We also want that too. Chapter 200 is one of the toughest pieces of mining legislation in the country and yet you are fighting to stop the project before it is given the opportunity to test this piece of law that was designed to ensure that great care will be taken to protect our natural resources. This project will be required to be prudent at every step of the project to remain compliant with the law that has been written for Maine. Do you think that our forefathers of Northern Maine were afraid to drive the logs down the rivers to create an economy many years ago? They realized that they had to try and survive in a difficult area and make the best of it. It is easy to live in southern Maine and obtain jobs that pay well while demanding that Northern Maine remain a private playground for the southern residents, while the northern residents are struggling and losing everything.

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**From:** david brown <brown4182@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2023 2:19 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Wolfden rezoning

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Dear LUPC

My name is David Brown and I am from Pennsylvania. I fully support the rezoning and development requested by Wolfden. If we can build the best electric vehicles in the world in this country then certainly we can safely mine the metals required to transform this great country into greener and cleaner industrial nation.

The new mining laws developed by Maine are there for a reason and as long as a mining company complies with it then the economic benefits are well worth it and I will remain a tourist eager to continue my visits to your fine state.

Sincerely

David Brown

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Nancy Brown <nancybrown030805@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 12, 2023 5:26 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Wolfden Re-zoning

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Good afternoon:

I'm writing in support of Wolfden's application for re-zoning.

It's clear that we're heading toward a future of electric vehicles and it's also clear that as a matter of national security it's critical to develop the resources for battery manufacturing in our country.

And this may sound overly simplistic and naive but seeing pictures of African children working in horrible conditions in mines makes me believe there has to be a better way to obtain the minerals necessary for battery production.

I'd love to see the mining done here, ethically and according to Maine's high environmental standards, and send some of the profits to give those child laborers in Africa an education and a better start in life.

Thanks for your time and consideration.  
Nancy Brown

Sent from my iPad



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**From:** Sage Rowbotham <srowbothamriver@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2023 10:13 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Don't do allow mining

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On Pickett mountain.

Giving Wolfden a permit to mine Pickett Mountain is in direct opposition to several of the DEP's own clearly stated Values, Vision and Customer Service Commitments.

With due respect,  
Sage Rowbotham  
East waterboro Maine 04030

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**From:** priscilla b <PRISILLA@COMCAST.NET>  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 1, 2023 10:12 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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A mine in the Katahdin region is far too big of a risk to the water quality, fisheries, and outdoor economy that the area is known for. The watershed the company is proposing to mine includes three State Heritage Fishing Waters and the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River, which is sacred to the Penobscot Nation and critical habitat for endangered Atlantic salmon. A mine would threaten many of the activities that sustain the regional economy, such as guiding, fishing, hunting, and hiking.

Wolfden has never operated a mine before and has failed to demonstrate the financial and technical capability to develop a mine safely. Wolfden withdrew its initial request to rezone because the proposal was riddled with errors. This is a big problem for an industry like mining where small errors can lead to big disasters.

Wolfden also continues to claim falsely that it would be able to discharge wastewater that would be as clean as natural groundwater. However, Wolfden still hasn't provided an example of a mine that can do this. If the company can't even provide an example of such a mine, the Commission should not believe Wolfden's claims.

Hundreds of Mainers and local businesses have already spoken out against Wolfden's plans, and the residents of Pembroke voted overwhelmingly to ban industrial-scale metallic mineral mining in their town in response to Wolfden's plans to develop a mine there. Pickett Mountain is no place for a metal mine, especially one operated by an inexperienced and untrustworthy company like Wolfden.

For these reasons, I urge the Commission to deny Wolfden's rezoning petition.

Sincerely,  
priscilla b  
29 melissa dr.  
Pembroke, NH 03275

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**From:** Carol Knapp <csknapp@tidewater.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 30, 2023 10:20 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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Sincerely,  
Carol Knapp  
22 River Road #34  
Newcastle, ME 04553

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**From:** Mark Whiting <mark.c.whiting@gmx.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 4:47 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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For these reasons, I urge the Commission to deny Wolfden's rezoning petition.

Sincerely,  
Mark Whiting  
145 Gary Moore Road  
Ellsworth, ME 04605

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**From:** D GORDON MOTT <forester@almanacmtn.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 11:31 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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Members of the Land Use Planning Commission,

I strongly urge you to reject Wolfden Resources' second rezoning proposal for its Pickett Mountain property.

A mine in the Katahdin region by an inexperienced foreign corporation is far too big of a risk to the water quality, fisheries, and outdoor economy that this special area is known for. The watershed the company is proposing to mine includes three State Heritage Fishing Waters and the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River, which is sacred to the Penobscot Nation and critical habitat for endangered Atlantic salmon. A mine would threaten many of the activities that sustain the regional economy, such as guiding, fishing, hunting, and hiking.

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Sincerely,  
D GORDON MOTT  
42 Damon Pasture Lane  
Lakeville, ME 04487

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**From:** Beth Widmayer <beth@widmayer.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 11:27 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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Sincerely,  
Beth Widmayer  
56 Gendron Dr  
Wells, ME 04090

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**From:** Madeline Cook <mcook@fandm.edu>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 9:07 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Madeline Cook  
10 Eagle Lake Rod  
Bar Harbor, ME 04609

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**From:** Daniel Oppenheim <daniel.oppenheim@mainehealth.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 9:05 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Daniel Oppenheim  
120 Woodville Rd  
Falmouth, ME 04105



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**From:** Susan Davies <spdbh@gwi.net>  
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**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Susan Davies  
21 Boynton Rd  
Liberty, ME 04949

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For these reasons, I urge the Commission to deny Wolfden's rezoning petition.

Sincerely,  
Susan Davies  
21 Boynton Rd  
Liberty, ME 04949

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Leda Beth Gray <ledabeth@gwi.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 8:47 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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Members of the Land Use Planning Commission,

I'm writing to ask you to please reject Wolfden Resources' second rezoning proposal for its Pickett Mountain property.

I think that a mine in the Katahdin region would threaten the water quality, stream ecosystems, and tourism of the area that is so important to the tourism economy. The watershed where this proposal is has three State Heritage Fishing Waters and is also where the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River is, sacred to the Penobscot Nation and critical habitat for endangered Atlantic salmon. We just can't allow a mine that would threaten the habitat and regional economy!

This company, Wolfden, hasn't even operated a mine before and has not demonstrated the financial and technical capability to run a mine safely. Wolfden had to withdraw its initial proposal for rezoning because it was riddled with errors. This is a huge problem-- we especially can't let a company that has no performance record in this industry threaten the ecosystems of this important area--although I would be hard pressed to trust any mining company because the area is just too precious and I don't want to take the chance that it could be polluted!

Wolfden claims that it would be able to discharge wastewater that would be as clean as natural groundwater, which I think is hogwash-- they have provided any examples of a mine that can do this. How can anyone believe them!

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It is clear to me that the Commission should deny Wolfden's rezoning petition. Please put the people and environment of Maine first!

Sincerely,  
Leda Beth Gray  
PO Box 1122  
Blue Hill, ME 04614

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Stephanie Theobald <shanwell@alumni.unity.edu>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 7:56 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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For these reasons, I urge the Commission to deny Wolfden's rezoning petition.

Personally:

I have lived in and attended college for many years in Maine. This includes working for the State Dept of Agriculture throughout Aroostook County. I have fond memories of hiking Katahdin, and one of the most striking features of the region is its untouched nature.

Much of Thoreau's writing of the wildness and purity of the area remain intact. If northern Maine can't stand up for herself, I fear for all natural spaces.

As an Ecology and Fisheries Science graduate of Unity College, in Unity, ME, I tell you that, without a doubt, the proposed mine would irrevocably damage the clean waters, untouched forests, and delicate ecosystem Maine relies on and is in guardianship of.

Please make the correct decision to protect Maine's unblemished natural areas for the health and enjoyment of all future generations.

Thank you,

Stephanie MH Theobald

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Theobald  
26 Mountain View Dr  
Cadyville, NY 12918

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Priscilla Skerry <drskerry@myfairpoint.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 11:45 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Priscilla Skerry  
95 Emery St  
Portland, ME 04102

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Helen Balgooyen <hwbalgoo@colby.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 10:19 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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For these reasons, I urge the Commission to deny Wolfden's rezoning petition. Although I no longer live in Maine, I still love Maine and its incredible beauty and natural resources.

Sincerely,  
Helen Balgooyen  
200 Tabernacle Rd  
Black Mountain, NC 28711

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Penelope Marsh <poppy@charles.nu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 10:09 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Penelope Marsh  
945 clayton  
San Francisco, CA 94117



**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Charlotte Durham <cdurham3@wellesley.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 8:42 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Charlotte Durham  
7 Woodbridge St  
Cambridge, MA 02140

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Heather McCargo <heather@mcnifflight.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 8:22 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Heather McCargo  
320 Spring st  
portpakd, ME 04102

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Jill Demers <demersgirl@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 7:18 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Jill Demers  
41 Fairwind Dr  
Orrington, ME 04474

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Tatyana Eckstrand <tx22@tidewater.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 7:08 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Tatyana Eckstrand  
514 Duck Puddle Rd.  
Waldoboro, ME 04572

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Christa Schwintzer <christas@maine.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 5:23 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Christa Schwintzer  
25 Old Kelley Ave  
Orono, ME 04473

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Ann Carter <ahcarter@midmaine.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 5:00 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Ann Carter  
49 Smith Ridge Rd.  
Charlotte, ME 04666

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Sarah Bierschwale <sarahb@nrcm.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 4:50 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Sarah Bierschwale  
181 Seminole Dr  
Farmington, ME 04938

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** william wood <wnw10@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 4:28 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
william wood  
664 hollywood blvd  
alna, ME 04535



**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Kris Samuelson <ksamuels@risd.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 4:02 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Kris Samuelson  
RISD Museum of Art  
Providence, RI 02903

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Jeffrey Holder <jeff@jehcreatives.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 3:58 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
Jeffrey Holder  
1922 Kater Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19146

**Carr, Tim**

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Sincerely,  
Joel Tompkins  
8 Hovey Ln  
Brunswick, ME 04011

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Susan Wind <suwind@gwi.net>  
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Sincerely,  
Susan Wind  
28 Lawn Ave.  
Rockland, ME 04841

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**From:** Hilary Wallis <hwallis@metrocast.net>  
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Sincerely,  
Hilary Wallis  
PO Box 117  
West Newfield, ME 04095

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Mary Jo Grieco <emjayg@optonline.net>  
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Sincerely,  
Mary Jo Grieco  
37 Blueberry Hill Road  
Redding, CT 06896

**Carr, Tim**

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Rick Peterson  
93 Winding Way  
Portland, ME 04102

**Carr, Tim**

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39 Columbia Avenue  
Brunswick, ME 04011



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It is a treasure for all of the future generations of Mainers and visitors alike to enjoy.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Kessler  
22 Fitts St  
Bath, ME 04530

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Rita Breton <rmbreton@mailworks.org>  
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Sincerely,  
Rita Breton  
23 Spurwink Rd.  
Scarborough, ME 04074

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Sincerely,  
Nancy Halsey  
16 Bunker Ave  
Fairfield, ME 04937

**Carr, Tim**

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Sincerely,  
Edward Hodgdon  
352 Rock Schoolhouse Road, Bristol, ME 04539  
Bristol, ME 04539

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** MELANIE HODGDON <mel@tidewater.net>  
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352 Rock School House Rd  
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**Carr, Tim**

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1536 HORSESHOE TRAIL  
Chester Springs, PA 19425

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352 Rock Schoolhouse Road, Bristol, ME 04539  
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**Carr, Tim**

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Sincerely,  
Shirley Hager  
129 Chesterville Hill Road  
CHESTERVILLE, ME 04938



**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** catherine mardosa <catherine.mardosa@maine.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 1:56 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Sincerely,  
catherine mardosa  
6 Nadeau Street  
Old Town, ME 04468

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Kathleen Potrepka <kcp@gwi.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 1:55 PM  
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**Subject:** Reject Wolfden's disastrous mine proposal at Pickett Mountain

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Sincerely,  
Kathleen Potrepka  
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**From:** Ron Ross <rross@drew.edu>  
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Sincerely,  
Ron Ross  
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Boothbay, ME 04537

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**From:** Bonnie Faith <whiteowl1@comcast.net>  
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Sincerely,  
Bonnie Faith  
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Cambridge, MA 02139

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**From:** Mariellen Whelan <mfwhelan@tidewater.net>  
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Sincerely,  
Mariellen Whelan  
68 Glideen Street  
Newcastle, ME 04553

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**From:** Jeff Titon <jtiton@myfairpoint.net>  
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A mine in the Katahdin region overseen by this corporation is far too big of a risk to the water quality, fisheries, and outdoor economy that the area is known for. It would be a catastrophe waiting to happen.

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Jeff Titon  
49 Honey Rd  
LITTLE DEER ISLE, ME 04650

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**From:** Lien De Brouckere <lien@communitiesfirst.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 1:43 PM  
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For these reasons, I urge the Commission to deny Wolfden's rezoning petition.

Sincerely,  
Lien De Brouckere  
521 Cumberland Ave Apt 6  
Portland, ME 04101

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Lindy Moceus <lindy@fairpoint.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 2:00 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Members of the Land Use Planning Commission,

The Wolfden Mining Project is a huge mistake. Wolfden is not qualified to handle acid ore mining. They have never even operated a mine before and have failed to demonstrate the financial and technical capability to develop a mine safely. They can't even get the paperwork right. We should not be providing a pristine area for them to practice on hoping they don't make any mistakes.

It appears we can't trust what they say. They have made the false claim that the mine would be able to discharge wastewater that would be as clean as natural groundwater. But, Wolfden has yet to provide an example of a mine that can do this. If the company can't even provide an example of such a mine, the Commission should not believe Wolfden's claims. Maine gets a lot of rain and acid ore mining is a huge risk especially when it would be situated in the heart of a pristine water region like Pickett Mountain. If we are to allow such a project, we want a company that is highly experienced, with a good track record, and knows what they are doing. One mistake and things are ruined for decades. I urge you to reject Wolfden Resources' second rezoning proposal for its Pickett Mountain property.

Pickett Mountain is no place for an acid ore metal mine, especially one operated by an inexperienced and untrustworthy company like Wolfden. Maine is not obligated to bend over backwards to allow a company to mine here just because they apply. Common sense tells us we don't want a company like Wolfden mining in Maine. Please deny Wolfden's rezoning petition.

Sincerely,  
Lindy Moceus  
601 Town House Rd  
Vienna, ME 04360



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**From:** Robert Rutkowski <r\_e\_rutkowski@att.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 6:10 PM  
**To:** Governor; Beyer, Stacie R  
**Cc:** Keith Abouchar  
**Subject:** Oppose Proposed Mine in Shadow of Katahdin, Proposed zinc mine at Pickett Mountain being pursued by virtually unknown Canadian company

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Land Use Planning Commission  
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Re: Oppose Proposed Mine in Shadow of Katahdin, Proposed zinc mine at Pickett Mountain being pursued by virtually unknown Canadian company

Dear Governor and Commissioners:

Two Tribes in Maine today joined forces with leading environmental groups and a national public interest environmental law organization to oppose a proposed mine that would be located in the shadow of Baxter State Park and the Katahdin Woods & Waters National Monument.

The proposed zinc mine at Pickett Mountain is being pursued by a virtually unknown Canadian company, Wolfden Resources, that has never operated a mine before. A previous version of Wolfden's request was widely opposed because the region holds enormous cultural and natural significance to Wabanaki Tribes, outdoor recreation businesses, and Maine people.

The Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Penobscot Nation, and the Natural Resources Council of Maine, represented by Earthjustice and Brann & Isaacson, joined the Conservation Law Foundation in petitioning to intervene in the review of Wolfden's permit application to the Land Use Planning Commission (LUPC) to rezone the area for industrial uses.

The area Wolfden wants to mine is next to three State Heritage Fish Waters and is a centerpiece of the region's growing outdoor economy. It contains the headwaters of the West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River, which is sacred to the Penobscot Nation and provides key, federally designated critical habitat for endangered Atlantic salmon.

The Katahdin region's wild beauty and clean water are extraordinary. One look at this landscape demonstrates that this is no place to put a mine. Wolfden's claims that it will treat wastewater more effectively than any mining company on earth are not credible. This is too big a risk for Maine.

The legacy of metallic mineral mining in Maine is one of empty promises of economic development, acid mine drainage polluting waters and killing fish, and multi-million dollar cleanups funded by taxpayers and not the fly-by-night mining companies like Wolfden. Rezoning this area to allow mining would fail to recognize the cultural and spiritual importance of the land to the Wabanaki Tribes and threaten the natural resources and experiences valued by generations of Maine citizens.

After withdrawing its initial request because it was riddled with errors, Wolfden submitted a second rezoning petition in January that sparked another review by the LUPC. Comments by Wolfden's CEO disrespecting Maine tribes and mining laws have prompted outrage from the Penobscot Nation, Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, and conservationists. The company has lost tens of millions of dollars over the past decade.

This is one of the absolute worst areas to rezone for a mine. The region is known for its vast contiguous forest, pristine streams, high-quality lakes, and aquatic species like wild brook trout and landlocked salmon. Why would we risk that, along with the outdoor economy that depends on it, on a half-baked proposal from an unproven mining company? The Commission must put Maine's unique natural resources, and the well-being of the people of Maine and Maine's Wabanaki Tribes, before short-term industry profits.

More than 700 hundred Mainers and local businesses, including Bradford Camps, Chandler Lakes Camps and Lodge, and the Maine Wilderness Guides Organization, have spoken out against Wolfden's plans. In May 2022, residents of Pembroke voted overwhelmingly to ban industrial-scale metallic mineral mining in their town in response to Wolfden's plans to develop a mine there.

Legal document: <https://earthjustice.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/petition-to-intervene-wolfden-mine-final-2023-06-28-for-filing.pdf>

Yours sincerely,  
Robert E. Rutkowski

cc:  
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#### Quote

"The Penobscot Nation strongly opposes the rezoning of this ecologically important area. We share significant concerns over impacts to the water quality and fisheries of the area, which our members rely upon," said Chief Kirk Francis of the Penobscot Nation. "The West Branch of the Mattawamkeag River contains abundant, high-quality, cold-water fish habitat and Designated Critical Habitat for endangered Atlantic salmon, identified as necessary for the recovery of Atlantic salmon in the Penobscot River. This mine would impact our traditional territories and forever alter our ability to maintain our relationship to this place."

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Chaz Wilcoxon <chaz@protosagency.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2023 7:49 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
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Members of the Land Use Planning Commission,

Hi, Tim! I'm sure you've been getting a lot of these emails, but I appreciate you taking the time to read them!

I was just today listening to a podcast on the effects that mines have been having on the watersheds of southern Alaska (and the incredible damage the pollution has been having on the ecosystems there). <https://omny.fm/shows/it-could-happen-here/indigenous-leadership-on-international-environment> [NOTE: The podcast may be accessed by clicking on the [web address.](#)]

One of the experts said something that really struck me, and then REALLY struck me when I saw NRCM's post that relates so closely... "mining is an inherently extractive, down to the last profitable dollar, industry. This would, as usual, fall on the backs of the local people and communities."

I do urge you all to oppose Wolfden's proposal. Thank you for your time!

-Chaz

Sincerely,  
Chaz Wilcoxon  
128 Emery Street, Apt 1  
Portland, ME 04102

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Chris Grimmel <chrisgrimmel@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2023 8:15 AM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Stop now

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I Chris Grimmel at 335 Central Avenue in Lewiston Maine, wants to see this stupid idea of mining to be stopped, what is a Canadian company doing to try in getting access to any Maine land! Shame on them and shame on our government for not getting involved!

Sent from my iPhone

**Carr, Tim**

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**From:** Ariel Hoover <ariel.hoover@verizon.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 1, 2023 2:42 PM  
**To:** LUPC, Wolfden Rezoning  
**Subject:** Mining in Maine

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Please do not mine in Maine! We need a few places without environmental destruction!  
This is one to save for the future!

Sincerely,  
Ariel Hoover  
Maine lover

Sent from my iPhone



Stacie R. Beyer  
Executive Director Maine Land Use Planning Commission  
Cc: Tim Carr  
Maine Land Use Planning Commission

Sent via Electronic Mail

July 5, 2023

Dear Ms. Beyer and Mr. Carr:

I am writing on behalf of the Maine Chapter of Native Fish Coalition (NFC) to request Maine's Land Use Planning Commission reject the rezoning application submitted by Wolfden Mt. Chase LLC. on 374 acres of land in T6 R6 Wels, Penobscot County.

Native Fish Coalition (NFC) is a 501c3 non-profit whose mission is to protect, preserve and restore wild native fish. Maine's wild native brook trout, rare Arctic charr and federally endangered Atlantic salmon are just a few of many native aquatic species that would be adversely affected by this proposed mine. Three legally protected State Heritage Fish Waters and the west branch of the Mattawakeag River (critical habitat for endangered Atlantic salmon) are in close proximity to this proposed mining area, in addition to many streams and tributaries containing native species.

Maine's Heritage Fish Law was enacted specifically to protect wild native brook trout in designated waters, and adverse impact on their habitat must be prevented. Brook trout are found not only in the designated Heritage Waters but also in rivers and streams throughout the 374 acres under rezoning consideration.

The federal Endangered Species Act provides protection for endangered Atlantic salmon and a plan for the population's recovery. Sustainable recovery must allow access to critical habitat such as the Mattawakeag River near the proposed mining site. The river must be free from contamination to allow spawning. Contamination from water sources (surface, groundwater, or run off), air source (from dust) and site erosion would have an adverse effect on critically endangered Atlantic salmon.

Mining poses a direct threat to Maine's aquatic ecosystems and the quality of the overall environment and natural resources. NFC is opposed to the rezoning application because of the many negative impacts:

- Mining uses large amounts of water in processing ore, often drawing down surface and groundwater levels to dangerously low levels.
- Erosion and sedimentation caused by mine and road construction and upgrades have the strong potential to destroy benthic habitat in rivers and streams which disrupt the natural food chain resulting in declines in fish populations.
- Heavy metals from discharged mine effluent, seepage from tailings, processing chemicals, and waste rock impoundments have a history of contaminating surface water through direct discharge and leaching into groundwater, causing irreparable harm to aquatic ecosystems, fish

and other organisms. Water pollution from mine waste rock and tailings may need to be managed for decades, if not centuries, after closure. Using pumps and pipes to collect contaminated water does not guarantee that contaminated mine drainage can be fully contained.

- Acid mine drainage severely degrades water quality and kills many beneficial aquatic organisms.
- Mining can cause lasting environmental damage that may not be reversible. There is no guarantee that's Maine's environment will be protected even if all regulations are followed.

In the final analysis, mining poses a very serious threat to Maine's aquatic ecosystems and native species. For these reasons, we again ask that you reject Wolfden's proposed mining operation. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

Sincerely,  
Tom Johnson  
Maine State Chair, Native Fish Coalition

CC: NFC Maine Board; NFC Maine Advisory Council; NFC National Board

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Submitted by email to: [WolfdenRezoningLUPC@Maine.Gov](mailto:WolfdenRezoningLUPC@Maine.Gov)

RE: Wolfden Mount Chase LLC  
Petition for Rezoning  
T6 R6  
Application No. ZP 779A

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am in favor of Wolfden's proposed zone change and development of its project in Township 6 Range 6 WELS, Aroostook County, Maine.

I am a resident of northern Maine and can see first hand the lack of economic opportunity in the Patten Sherman area.

We all have to work for a living and need more opportunities to do so.

I have every confidence in DEP to decide whether Wolfden meets the statutory criteria for the permit necessary for its project but we will never get to that point without a zone change.

Very truly yours,

Glenda Sommers  
Glenda Sommers  
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Attention: Tim Carr

22 State House Station, 18 Elkins Lane

Augusta, Maine 04333-0022

Re: Pickett Mountain Mine Rezoning Application, ZP 779A – Wolfden Mt. Chase LLC

Dear Mr. Carr & Commissioners:

I am writing to express support on behalf of Southern Aroostook Development Corporation for rezoning of Wolfden's proposed Pickett Mountain mine. I've seen the direct impact of mill closures on the local communities and northern Maine would benefit from the jobs this mine would bring to the area. Most of the younger generation leaves after high school and doesn't return due to the lack of jobs. Much of the available workforce in northern Maine already has relatable and transferrable skills that would suit this type of industry, such as mechanical, heavy equipment operation, electrical, earthworks, etc.

There would be a positive economic impact on the local businesses in the region and could also help with the start-up of businesses that currently don't have a market due to the lack of development projects.

We have seen the devastating effects that a lack of opportunity can have on small communities. What we have here now is a company that wants to start a project that would bring high paying jobs, produce a skilled labor force and an economic boom to rural Maine in a very sustainable manner. We support allowing the Pickett Mountain Mine Project to move on to the next phase to prove they can follow Maine's strict regulations and the standards in place to protect the environment. This small-footprint underground operation would be the most heavily regulated mine in the country and could set a new and improved standard for metal mining globally.

Sincerely,

Johanna Johnston

Executive Director

Southern Aroostook Development Corporation

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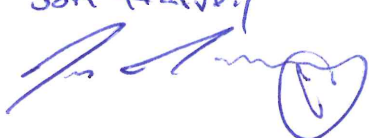
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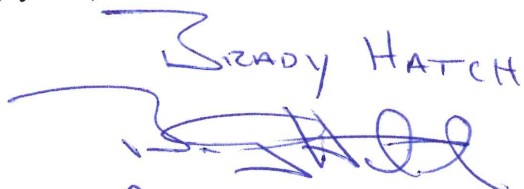
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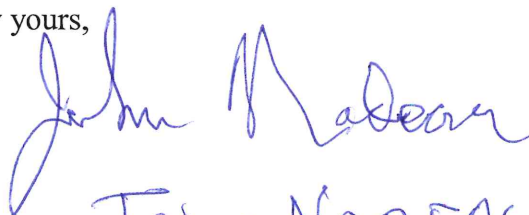
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am in favor of Wolfden's proposed zone change and development of its project in Township 6 Range 6 WELS, Aroostook County, Maine.

I am a resident of northern Maine and can see first hand the lack of economic opportunity in the Patten Sherman area.

We all have to work for a living and need more opportunities to do so.

I have every confidence in DEP to decide whether Wolfden meets the statutory criteria for the permit necessary for its project but we will never get to that point without a zone change.

Very truly yours,

Kent Ordway  
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