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Dear Interested Person:

The Maine Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands and the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife invite you to attend a **Public Meeting on the Final Draft of the Spednic Lake and Upper St. Croix River Corridor Management Plan on May 31st at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Vanceboro Elementary School** located at 101 High Street in Vanceboro, ME.

In 2003, a multi-year effort involving many partners resulted in the acquisition of approximately 51 miles (2,773 acres) of shoreline and islands within Maine's Spednic Lake/Upper St. Croix River corridor to be maintained for their exceptional undeveloped character and backcountry recreational values, which are of state and international significance. Lands on Spednic Lake were acquired by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife and lands on the St. Croix River were acquired by the Maine Department of Conservation.

These lands demand planning for resource and recreational management in order to retain a high quality backcountry experience, maintain efficiencies in recreation management and protect the undeveloped character and natural resources of this outstanding corridor.

The purpose of the Public Meeting is to receive feedback on a Final Draft Management Plan. BPL staff will present an overview of the proposed plan, followed by an opportunity for members of the public to offer comments.

More information on the management planning process is available at <http://www.maine.gov/doc/parks/programs/planning/spednicstcroix/index.shtml>. The Final Draft Plan will be downloadable from this website by May 20th – one and a half weeks before the Public Meeting. Written comments will be accepted until June 14th – two weeks after the Public Meeting. After this comment period, the Final Plan will be prepared for review and adoption.

Please feel free to contact us with questions or to request a hard copy of the Final Draft Plan.

Sincerely,

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