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From: MacNeil, Jami
Sent: Friday, October 29, 2021 9:52 AM
To: Liam Sigaud
Subject: RE: Rockland harbor proposal by Safe Harbor Marinas

Dear Mr. Sigaud,

Thank you for your comments regarding the expansion of an existing marina in Rockland Harbor as proposed by SHM Rockland, LLC. The Department is currently reviewing the application (#L-20386-4P-P-N) under Maine's Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA). The Department accepted the application as complete for processing on July 26, 2021. The statutory deadline for the Department to reach a final decision on the application is November 23, 2021. The deadline for public comments on the application is November 1, 2021.

Your comments will be added to the file and will be considered during the review of the project. You may contact me with additional concerns, questions, or comments at (207) 446-4894 or via email at jami.macneil@maine.gov.

Sincerely,
Jami

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Dear Ms. MacNeil,

I am a lifelong resident of Rockland, Maine. For the last 15 summers, my family has had a sailboat in Rockland harbor... and we hope to enjoy the beautiful harbor for many years to come.

I am deeply concerned that the proposal by Safe Harbor Marinas to expand its operations in Rockland harbor will harm local sailors, make the harbor a less welcoming place for small pleasure cruisers, and irreparably damage the aesthetic quality of the waterfront for the many thousands of residents and tourists who enjoy strolling along the harbor.

I use the public landing extensively to perform repairs, load food and gear, and simply enjoy the company of other sailors. I fear that Safe Harbor Marinas' proposed changes to the harbor (and its plan of attracting large, highly-polluting yachts) would make it more difficult for me to access the public landing, increase dangerous traffic in close quarters, and disturb the quiet peace that I've enjoyed at the public landing for many years.

I urge you to reject Safe Harbor Marinas' proposal. Please protect our beautiful harbor.

Best,
Liam

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