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Dear Ms MacNeil

As you may know, Maine's Bureau of Parks and Lands extended its comments deadline re the SHM NRPA application when it found that some otherwise significant public comment would be left out.

We write you with a similar request, because on the evening of November 1st, the Rockland City Council is going to consider "Order #89 SHM Rockland LLC Marina Project – Diminution of Traditional and Customary Access to Rockland Harbor." This order will express the city's concerns about the project impacts in an important way, giving DEP and other agencies the opportunity to have this guidance when considering the application.

As noted, Bureau of Parks and Lands made a decision to extend their comment period, due to a desire to get valuable information that the BPL would otherwise have missed. We think DEP should too in this special case

The Rockland City Council will consider then vote upon this very significant order only a few hours after the current close of public comment, if DEP extended the comment period by, say, a week, you would both let the city participate in this important way, and allow any others with concerns or supportive comments on the SHM project that've been unable to meet what \_seemed\_ your notably short deadline, do so.

Please exercise your option and let the position the Rockland city council takes on the night of November 1st on this topic become part of the public record, by extending the comment period.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ron Huber

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