MacNeil, Jami

From: Sent: To: Subject: MacNeil, Jami Monday, March 02, 2020 12:01 PM Catherine Burke RE: The Sheepscot River

Ms. Burke,

Thank you for your comments on the NRPA application #L-28397-4E-A-N for a pier system and boat ramp in Alna as proposed by Jeffry Spinney. Your comments will be entered into the Department's record and considered during the review.

Best,

-Jami MacNeil Environmental Specialist III Bureau of Land Resources Maine Department of Environmental Protection (207) 446-4894 | jami.macneil@maine.gov

From: Catherine Burke <tocatherineburke@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, February 28, 2020 2:35 PM To: MacNeil, Jami <Jami.MacNeil@maine.gov> Subject: The Sheepscot River

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Dear Ms. MacNeil,

The Sheepscot River is an incredible natural resource appreciated by many people from Alna, down to Wiscasset. It is appreciated even more by the amazing, diverse wildlife that live in and around it.

Our family watches bald eagles, geese and ducks swim freely and peacefully on this beautiful river. Our young children have witnessed something very few have been able to. It is to see Nature in its purest form.

Through the years, its special character has been based on mutually respectful use by residents and visitors alike that have not included motorized recreation.

I'm concerned of the proposed Spinney dock development and how it will change that balance to an experience dominated by the use of a select few but affecting many, many others. In addition, the development as proposed for that segment of the river, a forever wild region of the Sheepscot, will set a precedent that will change the character of that region of the river *forever*.

Please don't grant a permit for this Spinney dock proposal.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Catherine Burke 676 Sheepscot Road Newcaslte, Maine 04553