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Subject: RE: Dragon Cement. Thomaston closure - request to be on interested persons list.

Will do; thanks for contacting us, Ron.

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From: Ron Huber <coastwatch@gmail.com> Sent: Friday, November 10, 2023 7:34 PM

To: Hamlin, Eric P < Eric.P.Hamlin@maine.gov>; Knuuti, Karen < Karen.Knuuti@maine.gov> **Subject:** Dragon Cement. Thomaston closure - request to be on interested persons list.

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Dear friends

Please add me to the interested persons list for the Dragon Cement Closure.

As director of Penobscot Bay Watch I have been involved in oversight of Dragon Cement a number of times down the years since 2003 including the successful if lengthy effort to get them to cap their CKD and clinker piles.

A recent inspection from a nearby road reveals the caps are badly eroded along their eastern sides.

During that time our review of Dragon's Thomaston site made it clear there are many legacy waste pits, official and casual, tainted catch ponds and a threatened aquifer. These and much more will need to be dealt with during the shutdown and closure.

I believe our experience and our documentation of dragon's wastes and waste sites from decades past will be helpful as the closure gets underway.

I look forward to your adding me to the interested persons list concerning Dragon Cement's shutdown and closure.

Sincerely

Sincerely Ron Huber

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