



May 27, 2024

Community Update and Notice of Annual Meeting

Please join us at **4:00 PM on Saturday June 8, at the Pour Farm Brewery, 56 Crawfordsburn Lane, Union** for our next Community Update and Annual Meeting to learn about upcoming town votes related to mining in Warren and Union and the current status of mining in Maine! We will be joined by **State Senator Piny Beebe-Center, State Representative Bill Pluecker, Community Water Justice Cofounder Nickie Sekera**, and others who will answer your questions.

What a year it's been! In February last year, seven Warren and Union residents formed CARMA to study and advocate for an expeditious response to the threat of mining activity by Canadian mining company Exiro Minerals in our residential towns. Since that time, with overwhelming community support, we:

- (1) Sponsored changes to Warren's and Union's land use ordinances by citizens' petitions to impose restrictions on industrial-scale metallic mineral mining;
- (2) Facilitated a Union town vote that adopted those restrictions and analyzed the Union Planning Board's recommended changes to those restrictions, which will be put to a vote on June 11;
- (3) Worked with the Warren Metallic Ordinance Advisory Committee to facilitate ordinance changes, which will be put to a vote on June 11;
- (4) Assisted Hope in enacting land use ordinance restrictions on industrial-scale metallic mineral mining at a special town vote; and
- (5) Advocated for other areas like Pickett Mountain to help them defeat a mining proposal by another Canadian mining company – Wolfden Resources.

We are thrilled with our success thanks to the generous support of our hundreds of members! **But, our work is not done.** We must remain vigilant in our towns in order to monitor mining threats and assist other Maine municipalities seeking to mitigate the risk of metallic mineral mining in their areas. We also must continue to monitor activity in our State and Federal legislatures that risks jeopardizing the advancements we've made.

Please join us on **June 8 at the Pour Farm in Union** to discuss the upcoming Warren and Union votes on mining and our activity over the past year. See the attached letter explaining the issues and our recommended voting.

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CARMA is thriving thanks to your support and financial donations and will continue to do so at the local and state level. We are a 100% volunteer organization. We are grateful for your support. We need your help to continue protecting our residential communities.

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