



CARMA

Citizens Against Residential Mining Activity

November 2024 Update

Since our founding in February 2023, with overwhelming community support, we have met our immediate goals and set out our objectives for continuing to be an active voice in our own communities and beyond. We are proud to have done the following:

- (1) Sponsored changes to Warren's, Union's and Hope's land use ordinances by citizens' petitions to impose restrictions on industrial-scale metallic mineral mining.
- (2) Facilitated a Union town vote in June of last year where CARMA's proposed restrictions were adopted and became part of Union's land use ordinance. CARMA then analyzed the Union Planning Board's recommended changes to those restrictions, which would allow the Planning Board to designate a district in the future where industrial metallic mineral mining would be permitted if Union residents were to vote in support of it. Those changes were adopted by Union residents in June of this year.
- (3) Worked with the Warren Metallic Ordinance Advisory Committee to facilitate ordinance changes, which was put to Town vote in June of this year and adopted by Town residents.
- (4) Provided Hope with proposed land use ordinance restrictions on industrial-scale metallic mineral mining, which were adopted by Hope residents at a special town vote in January this year.
- (5) Advocated for other areas like Pickett Mountain to help them defeat a mining proposal by another Canadian mining company – Wolfden Resources.
- (6) Worked with other towns on implementing similar restrictions to those we proposed in Warren, Union and Hope.

Warren, Union and Hope now have in place land use ordinances strictly regulating and controlling industrial metallic mineral mining. We are thrilled with our success thanks to the generous support of the Board of the Crawford Lake Association and those members of the CLA who have donated resources to our cause.

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.

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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