

## WHY SAY NO TO CMP/HYDRO-QUEBEC TRANSMISSION LINE FACT SHEET

Thousands of acres of forest land clearcut – through 53 miles in intact forest and the widening of 92 miles of corridor

Will require large applications of herbicides to maintain. Likely use of glyphosate based Round-up which is a known carcinogen and implicated in Parkinson's disease -banned in Europe

Construction of hundreds of miles of new access roads – opens up route for first half of proposed E-W Highway proposal.

Transmission line will potentially alter and cross 263 wetlands and 115 streams

Destroys vernal pools

Brook Trout habitat damage due to vegetation clearing and subsequent water temperature increases.

Deer wintering grounds destroyed

Fragmentation of forest results in reduced biodiversity

Negative visual impact all along corridor – 100 foot plus towers

Kennebec River Gorge Crossing – a major recreational gem

Crossing of the Appalachian trail – undermines Maine's unique AT wilderness character.

Overall damage to scenic beauty reduces economic benefit from outdoor recreation

Destroying forests and wetlands reduces natural carbon sequestration

Supports further destruction of northern Quebec and Labrador forests as a result of new landscape hydro power projects.

Transmission and consumption of Quebec Hydro "Dirty" power makes Maine complicit in Canada's massive ecological disaster – landscape flooding of boreal forest increases greenhouse gas emissions.