

## There are environmental benefits to a transmission corridor!

The landscape beneath transmission lines **provides for early successional habitat** for many species, including song birds, pollinators, bats, rabbits and deer. Such habitat is in short supply in the farm fields and forests that make up most of Maine's landscape.

With any transmission corridor, environmental regulations are enforced by Federal and State agencies including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Maine DEP. These **regulations are stricter than those in place for other land uses**, such as farming or timber harvesting. Typically a third-party inspector works for the DEP to ensure construction practices adhere to the strictest standards.

Please think about the future before you vote on this ordinance at the March 10<sup>th</sup> annual meeting. MEPCO works closely with landowners who are willing to engage to find a route that works for them, **including relocating the line if possible**, to avoid or minimize impact to their property.

**Passing this sweeping ordinance is not the answer.**

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*MEPCO's project will result in a number of local economic benefits, including payments to local landowners and more than \$2 million in new tax revenue to Corinna over a 20 year period.*

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