

October 11, 2022

Bill Brooke AMC Maine Chapter Chair 41 Cooper Rd Whitefield, ME 04353-3204

Dear Bill:

On behalf of the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC), I write to thank you and the Maine Chapter Executive Committee for the Chapter's \$14,000 grant in support of our 2022 project, Restoring Native Brook & Lake Trout and Salmon Habitat in Maine's 100-Mile Wilderness. We are honored to have received this gift and are grateful for your commitment to our fish habitat restoration initiative, which is critical to leveraging \$290K in funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Thanks to this generous grant, we will be able to undertake five separate culvert replacement projects that will enable us to re-open 9.66 miles of habitat of both brook and lake trout as well as historic populations of land-locked salmon, enabling these fish species to return to high-quality spawning habitat. This project will help us advance significantly toward accomplishing our goal of restoring 80 miles of stream habitat by 2024, thereby fixing all fish passage problems in the Penobscot and upper Roach River watersheds.

We will submit a final report at the conclusion of the project, no later than January 31, 2023. If you have any questions, you are welcome to contact me at amolnar@outdoors.org or 617-391-6641.

In closing, we would like to express our gratitude once again for the Maine Chapter's support. Best wishes for a safe and enjoyable autumn season.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Molnar

Manager for Corporate & Foundation Engagement