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Hello

I would like to share the perspective that:

-since the Connecticut River once was the ecological lifeblood of our region and could be again if restored,

-since hydropower need not be in the form of dams in order to restart/kickstart the electrical grid and to rapidly ramp electricity generation up and down,

-since solar and wind electricity generation can, and nearly always does, occupy sites with vastly less ecological importance and productivity than dams, and

-since the cost of solar and wind electricity generation is currently comparable to the cost of hydropower and will continue to decline;

all dams on the mainstem of the Connecticut River should be phased out, the Northfield Mountain facility should be retained, and, if needed, additional pumped storage facilities should be developed.

Thank you for considering.