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Subject: Strong Majority of Maine Voters Disapprove of Trump's Management of Public Lands, Installment of Pendley as Acting Director of BLM

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds that a majority of Maine voters (54%) disapprove of President Trump's management of America's public lands, wildlife, clean water, clean air, and environment. Of those who disapprove, 48% strongly disapprove. In comparison, just 42% of voters approve overall of Trump's management of the environment and public lands in America.

Additionally, 63% of Mainers disapprove, including 54% who strongly disapprove, of William Perry Pendley being installed as the acting Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

Other key findings from the survey include:

- 65% disapprove of Trump's decision to unilaterally remove protections for the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument, and possible removal of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument designation without Congressional approval. Of these, a majority (56%) strongly disapprove, while just 25% of overall voters approve.
- 48% of Maine voters say they would view Senator Susan Collins less favorably if she were to remain silent and fail to demand that the administration adhere to the Constitution. Just 14% say they would view her more favorably.
- Both Collins and Trump are underwater in approval in Maine, with Collins' approval (40-53) tracking closely with Trump's (40-54).

Public Policy Polling surveyed 643 Maine voters from September 16-17, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.9%. 50% of interviews for the survey were conducted by text message and 50% by telephone.

