

Mr. Jean Pierre Oriol  
Acting Commisioner  
Virgin Islands Department of Planning and Natural Resources  
Costal Zone Management Program

Good day,

Our names are Mark and Donna Anderson. We live in Minnesota and are very grateful to be able to voice our opinion in this discussion from afar. We have owned three rental homes (now two) in Coral Bay for the past 30 years. We chose Coral Bay after spending many hours with realtors, mostly in the Cruz Bay area, to find this quiet, laid back, friendly, 'rural feeling' life style that we felt the moment we visited. After purchasing an acre of land, we proceeded to build our first house in 1984, second in 1989 (which we have sold) and the third in 2005. We have rented our homes out and have enjoyed spending much our our winters there.

We are writing to say, very strongly, that we are very much opposed to the plans we have seen for development of this huge marina in the harbor that we have known and loved all these years. We feel it would detract from our former and potential renters wanting to visit Coral Bay, because of the noise and congestion that will be created over many years. Others have articulated much better than we about the detraction, damage and interruption this marina would cause; not only to residents and guests in Coral Bay but to all the wonderful restaurants, bars and shops. We see absolutely NO reason to build a marina of this size, bringing in huge yachts and pleasure boats, not to mention high end shops that no one who lives or visits Coral Bay needs or wants.

Thank you for your kind and thoughtful consideration of our short but heartfelt letter to oppose this marina in our front yard!

Respectfully yours,

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