

To ALL concerned

I have made St. John, my home since 1991, seen many changes during this time. However I am very concerned about this proposed marina for many reasons.

1 mangroves and turtle grass, which is protected, would be devastated.

2 dye current test, done some 8 years ago, to see how the bay cleansed itself, failed! ie: the water does not flow outward to sea quickly.

3 dredging..... Even though stated no dredging will occur, I discount that as truth.

4 mooring field across the bay does not take into account average sized owned boats and the people who live on them. The field plan is for much smaller boats.

5 Hurricanes! The marina is in the worst possible spot for Any storm! a danger to any, upwind or down wind. If anyone was here in 1995 they would have the respect of Mother Nature!

6 Light pollution, noise pollution, fuel, oil pollution, way too many boats pollution. Back to dredging? Where would the debris go? There is still the dredged left overs from the car ferry terminal on island! Toxic debris with nowhere to go again! This is seriously extremely toxic!

7 After a good rainfall, are the investors aware? Of the runoff? Coral Bay becomes Mud Bay! From my own work, working in the charter WHITE boat profession, I highly doubt those Mega Yachts would make CB a destination after one time needing to make their waterline pristine clean. Not to mention the stink! The mangrove area, filtering the runoff, meeting the seawater creates a lengthy stench! Which is not dumpster related!

8 Sound, I live on Harold's Way..... If any establishment has live music, I have no choice but to listen to that venue until after it stops! Even with earplugs on! Last night was, luckily a fairly good band, they stopped midnightish! Then around 3am gunshots rang out, waking me again, did I call the police? Yes! Did they come No! Would anyone else, if they had a choice, stay in said marina after such an incident? Nope! They could easily pull up anchor and flee for the safety of charter guests to somewhere else that is a quiet paradise that the paying customers thought the islands were all about in the first place!

Why so drastic? Why move a road? Why change this unique small area? Why turn it into another Miami like, basin full of stateside ideas, that devour the charm of the island and it's local culture to fit Summers Ends ideas! Yes, we do have endless summer days here but, this plan would put the END to the idea, of SUMMERS END!

Yours truly

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