

Unfortunately, this project has made its way through the local Coastal Zone Management process without the type of review that a project of this magnitude is required to have. The failure of local agencies to perform the functions required of them has prompted a large and diverse group of concerned citizens to band together in this grassroots movement to SAVE CORAL BAY.

If this marina is built, the laid-back and casual atmosphere of the Coral Bay area will be destroyed and gone forever. The seagrass beds will be destroyed and gone forever. The serenity and beauty will be destroyed and gone forever.



THE MEGA MARINA PROPOSED BY THE SUMMER'S END GROUP LLC FOR CORAL BAY:

- 145 slips
- Mega yachts up to 210' in length
- Main pier extending 965' – almost 2/3 the distance across the harbor
- 1.7 acres of fixed marina structures
- 5.7 acres of boats
- 28 acres of marina site limits
- ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND THIRTY THREE pilings
- Designed for ten thousand feet of boat, a 400% increase over what is in the harbor today

THIS IS AN IMMENSE MARINA BY ANY STANDARD AND AN ABSURD SIZE FOR CORAL BAY HARBOR.

HERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU CAN DO TO SUPPORT THIS CAUSE:

To protect Coral Bay from this irresponsible, environmentally destructive mega marina, it will take money to pay for attorneys, legal fees, processing fees, travel expenses, and it will take a lot of work and the support of thousands, but the concerned citizens will not be denied. With your help, we can SAVE CORAL BAY!

► **CONTRIBUTE** to our legal defense fund, please visit GoFundMe.com/coralbay.

All donations are managed by the Coral Bay Community Council, a local non-profit organization with 501(c)(3) status. You may also contribute directly to the CBCC at coralbaycommunitycouncil.org to help this organization continue to work on your love of Coral Bay and St. John.

► **SPREAD THE WORD** by inviting all of your friends, email contacts, Facebook contacts, family, and neighbors to visit the SaveCoralBay.com website and learn about the campaign.

► **"LIKE"** the "Save Coral Bay" Facebook page, and then **INVITE** your Facebook contacts to do the same. This gives us a way to reach people with periodic status updates.

► **BUY** bumper stickers, key chains, t-shirts & proudly display them to create awareness wherever you go.



CORAL BAY IS UNDER ATTACK!

Coral Bay Harbor is a unique body of water on the undeveloped eastern part of St. John, US Virgin Islands. Its lush sea grass meadows are habitat for endangered sea turtles, its fringing mangroves are a shark nursery, and on its shores are historic structures dating back hundreds of years.

Outside investors, namely the Summer's End Group LLC, only see Coral Bay as a destination for mega yachts and luxury stores. They have proposed the development of a Mega Marina right in our beloved harbor. They want to take over the harbor, destroy its natural habitat, and replace all of that natural beauty with a massive, over-built, environmental disaster of a marina.

The SAVE CORAL BAY Coalition is a grassroots movement to stop the Summer's End Group LLC from building a Mega Marina in Coral Bay.

This brochure is intended to provide necessary information for those who are concerned. Thank you for taking the time to read this, and please join the cause to SAVE CORAL BAY!



POPULAR MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT THE PROPOSED MARINA



There are a number of comments that keep cropping up about the supposed “benefits” of the mega marina, or the supposedly deteriorated conditions of Coral Bay harbor. The reality is often very different from the myth. Here are some of the more common “myths” and the facts that disprove them:

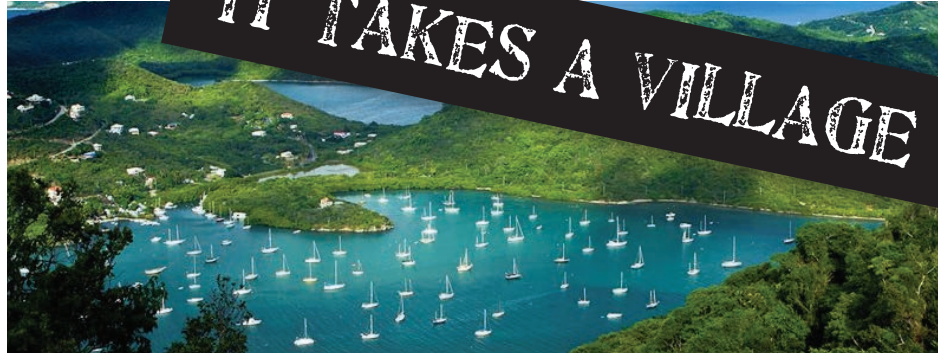
“IT’S A DONE DEAL”

FALSE!

ITS NOT EVEN CLOSE

Permits have been approved at the local level only. The Summer’s End Group LLC still must go through federal agencies (Army Corps of Engineers) for marina permits. The permitting process for a project as large and complex as this is a multi-year process, involving reviews and consistency with multiple federal laws, including the Endangered Species Act, the Environmental Protection Act, the Clean Water Act, and others.

This myth, started by the developers, and spread by people who don't know the facts, can be very demoralizing. If you hear it, correct it.



IT TAKES A VILLAGE



“THE MARINA WILL BOOST THE ECONOMY”

FALSE!

THIS PROJECT WILL CAUSE YEARS OF ECONOMIC HARM

In stark contrast to the \$8 million economic benefit claimed by Summer's End Group LLC, the reality is the development of this marina will result in an economic loss of more than \$115 million during the first five years of its operation.

This is because the economy of Coral Bay is based almost exclusively on tourism – villa rentals, villa maintenance services, tourist amenities – and when the construction begins with 6-day-a-week pounding noise from pile drivers, construction debris and shop closures, the tourists will quickly stop coming to Coral Bay. Even a small drop in tourism results in a major economic loss.

The Coral Bay economy is healthy, growing, and dependent upon the unique value of a quiet, ecotourism destination. This will be destroyed by this massive construction project. Tourism will rapidly decline, resulting in loss of direct and indirect revenue, loss of tax revenue, and loss of jobs.

“THIS IS A CORAL BAY ISSUE ONLY”

FALSE!

THE IMPACTS WILL BE FELT THROUGHOUT ALL OF ST JOHN

This is an all of St John issue. Our crippling infrastructure: WAPA, potable water, increased traffic on St. John and competing with barge space with additional large trucks needed for this project and our never-ending garbage problems effects EVERYONE!!! Our island CANNOT support this mega marina!!!

When visitors stop coming to Coral Bay, they will stop eating at Cruz Bay restaurants, stop shopping at Cruz Bay stores, and the loss of that business will directly impact all of St John.



If you're staying in or visiting the Coral Bay area, what would you rather see—donkeys and sheep causing traffic jams or mega yachts blocking the view of historic Forstberg? Would you rather be with locals in the quirky, unique and laid-back establishments or with tourists from mega yachts buying high-end merchandise you can purchase on just about any other island?

Please join the cause. With your help, we can stop Summer's End Group LLC from building the Mega Marina in Coral Bay.