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Senator Clinton, My family and I have been Sailing the Long Island Sound for 25 years. We keep our Sailboat in Huntington Harbor. Most of our Sailing takes place in the Huntington area, but a few times each year we cruise out to Block Island or to Mystic Seaport. The Long Island Sound is the route taken. We plan our cruise very carefully, keeping an important eye on the currents at the Race. You really need to arrive at the right time and with the current flowing in the right direction or your cruise could become a disaster.

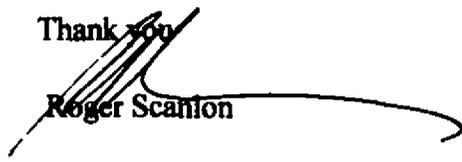
We are not alone on these trips. There are thousands of other yachts doing the exact same thing. The Long Island Sound is the Gate Way to Block Is., Martha's Vineyard , Nantucket, Cape Cod. , We call it 'Down East'. It is our Vacation Paradise.

One other thing , on any given day the Race is swarmed with fishing Boats. I know they don't have 'the right of way' to anchor or just stop in the middle of the channel , but they still do it. It can be quite a challenge to navigate around them. Then lets not forget the occasional submarine coming into New London, always a crowd pleaser, always a surprise, Always in the Race.

They are telling us they want to put an LNG platform out in the Sound. Close to the Race, With Armed Security Boats to keep us out of harms way? Maybe disrupting our Scheduling or routing of our cruises. How about all the Commercial Traffic (Tugs with Barges) . Do they plan on keeping all the boats floating around the Ocean, until 'they' clear the Race. Or maybe they will try to stop all the boats when the current is ripping and the boats can't stop moving.

There might be a great place to have a LNG platform like out in the ocean next to the wind generator farm, But not in the Long island Sound, Not near the Race.

I couldn't get approved to build a sundeck 100 feet from the Long Island Sound . The DEC is looking the other way on this one.

Thank you

Roger Scanlon