

HarborMaster

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Martha's Vineyard Shipyard 164 Beach Road Vineyard Haven, MA, 02568

Mr. Hale,

The Chilmark Harbor Department is aware of your decision to begin the process of building a Marina on the lagoon side of Martha's Vineyard Shipyard. As Harbormaster, and lifelong member of the maritime community, it is my belief that having a marina at the Shipyard would be beneficial to the boating public, and increase the productivity of Vineyard Haven as a working waterfront.

It is well known that there is a lack of dock and mooring availability on Martha's Vineyard, as well as limited access to boat ramps. Having a marina in the lagoon would certainly free up congestion in Vineyard Haven Harbor, and give more boaters an opportunity to access the water.

Please consider this letter, as support for your proposed Marina at Martha's Vineyard Shipyard.

Respectfully,

Ryan Rossi Harbormaster

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