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To the Martha's Vineyard Commission "Roundabout Committee" -

Unfortunately I have not been able to attend the Roundabout hearings and have not submitted my opinion until now. However, I have read much of the coverage, and many of the letters to the newspaper editors. The letters have articulated the reasons for opposition to the Roundabout so clearly and expressed much of what I was feeling. I hope you have had the opportunity to read them all as they express the feelings of many who have not spoken up. Many feel that the decision was already set in stone before the hearings so have given up. I hope that is not the case.

Anyway, i have lived on Edgartown/Vineyard Haven Road in Vineyard Haven for over 30 years. I do not have the accident statistics since the four-way stop has been implemented, but do not recall there have been major accidents since. The four-way stop seems to be working for accident prevention. Regarding emergency vehicles, we are all required to pull to the side of the road when they travel through. This also seems to be working.

During the summer months, the back up of traffic is a problem at several intersections on the Vineyard. The proposed roundabout is not going to solve that and may aggravate the problem. Or should we also have a roundabout at the triangle, the State Road intersection, five corners - then we could have our own Vineyard Summer Grand Prix with everyone flying around the Island at a fast pace. Just what they came to the Vineyard to avoid. HA !

I am sure there is a smarter less expensive way to solve the backup at this location. Many have been expressed in the letters I have read. Over a million dollars of tax money to solve a short term seasonal problem, which I feel may cause more safety and traffic problems, is outrageous in these economic times.

And, is there a study of all-Island traffic flow problems underway? It may be good to shelf this roundabout and look at the whole picture for better resolutions.

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As of Friday, August 12, 2011 I will be retiring from the Martha's Vineyard Commission. Please change your contact information to Curtis Schroeder, Administrator, schroeder@mvcommission.org. Thank you.

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