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To the MVC.....

I too am unable to attend the hearing this August 4th, about the "roundabout" proposal, due to an American Red Cross DAT meeting.

If I could be there, I would vote against this project...., & hereby do so with this letter.

The 4-way Isn't a thing of beauty*, neither will be a roundabout, but the 4-way functions pretty well. Its this time of year, the Summer months where a line may form. So.. slow down & wait your turn... what's the rush. Where're you going so fast?! The Ambulance will get though just the same. * Kudos to the ladies who have done some plantings in the small medians & keep it watered!

The project is a waste of money. The money could be better put to use elsewhere, or not even spent. It wouldn't divvy out to be much reduction for every one's tax base, but a start!

It also consumes a lot of private property that would no doubt be taken by eminent domain... for far less that what they're paying taxes for. For what?

... So more vehicles can get through the intersection faster? Only to bunch up quicker at the Edgartown Triangle, or at State Rd in VH...? Big deal. Then someone will have to come up with a way to deal with all that! No way. Don't even start that slippery-slope!

At first I was quick to suggest a set of seasonal traffic lights... but after emailing with a city planner friend, he points out that seasonal lights would create more problems than we think they'd solve. So I'm off that tack.

That leaves... what we have. It works, why try to fix it ???????????? What ever is done other than what's there presently will be irreversible. Think twice, act once. Easy to stay right like it is.

Sincerely.

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