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My name is George Wendling, I live on the water on Rock Creek, Northern Anne Arundel County. My wife and I have dreamed of living on the water since 1985. We were finally able to move on the water on Rock Creek in 2017. We have a beautiful house on the water and enjoy boating, swimming, crabbing off our pier, fishing off our pier and paddle boarding.

My father-in-law, William Polczynski, worked at Bethlehem Steel and the shipyard for over 30 years. He suffered significantly due to the exposure of toxic waste in the water. His medical conditions ranged from Mesothelioma, COPD, Congestive Heart failure and leukemia. All attributed and confirmed to the exposure of toxic elements at the shipyard. This toxic material in the water has been dormant for decades. Disturbing the sea floor will reinstitute the toxic waste into the flowing water that will impact the surrounding residents.

My concerns with the CAD program are the risks associated with the dredge that is highly toxic and contaminated with forever chemicals that are carcinogenic. For decades the water in this area has been contaminated due to sewage overflow. We are finally seeing improvements in the waterways.

We are against having the CAD in any residential area. We need to save our waterways from this toxic carcinogenic.

Thank you,

George Wendling