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By Letters To The Editor

Appalled by marina plan

As a New Jersey resident and frequent visitor to Liberty State Park, I'm appalled at the idea of a huge marina at the southern, non-commercial end of the parks. A great part of the beauty of Liberty State Park lies in its open spaces and open vistas of one of the world's great harbors. This is no place for a view blocking, commercial marina. It would destroy one of the most peaceful parts of the parks!

Bill Kadish, Hoboken

Marina will destroy south end of park

My name is Ralph Sinisi and I am one of the owners of the Grove Street Bicycles in Jersey City. I am also a resident of Jersey City and was born here in 1975.

Myself and my partners, my family, other local businesses, my neighbors and everyone else I know in Jersey City is very much against the new marina that will destroy the whole south side of Liberty State Park.

There is no open space left in Jersey City outside of this park. This is a natural treasure to have an area that nature has returned to the way Liberty State Park has. It should be respected and not destroyed again as it once was.

Jersey City is spending more just to renovate small, old parks as it costs to run Liberty State Park for an entire year. It is crazy that the most important park in Jersey City can be destroyed with how precious this space is to the people.

Suntex's existing marina occupies the most urban area of Jersey City, Greenville. This park is the only escape so many people have as a picnic and family area. It is crowded every day of the summer with people truly enjoying what the park should be used for. This marina will take up all this area and all the parking.

The whole idea that a people's park, that is the only one of its kind, can be for sale is wrong on every level.

I hope the reality of what is best for the people of New Jersey and especially Jersey City will win. This is a small amount of revenue compared to what is wasted all over on ridiculous

projects. To destroy the most important park in the state for this small amount of revenue, or any amount, would be an atrocity.

These is supposed to be a public process and it seems as this is something else that is not happening as the plans are rushed through before Christie leaves office.

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