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I am a full time teacher in Freeport. My wife, also a full time teacher, and I live in a neighborhood on the Harraseeket River. We have been woken up repeated times in the middle of the night or early morning on days when the tide is low by the incredibly loud noise from the airboats. We would never want to deny anyone their livelihood, and we love the fact that clambers and others make a living on the river. However, we are working people as well and can not perform our job at the levels needed when we can not sleep through the night due to airboat noise. Something needs to be done about these noise levels to make it possible for us all to co-exist on the river. We urge the legislators to reduce the decibel levels allowable for these airboats when used so close to houses and during the night and early morning. We lived here for years co-existing with the clambers and others and believe we can go back to this peaceful co-existence.

Thank you for listening and your efforts on our behalf.

Yours,  
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