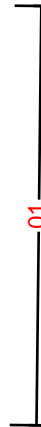


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As a resident of South Nyack I urge the New York State Thruway Authority and other concerned agencies to consider the impact of this massive project on the river villages of South Nyack and Grand View, which are being asked once again to do more than their share. I oppose the building of a new bridge and/or installation of heavy rail transit on the existing bridge. These options would be the nail in the coffin of our historic river villages which have already done way more than their share since the 1950s when the Thruway wrongheadedly sited the Tappan Zee Bridge at the widest part of the Hudson River, destroying beautiful historic homes. The river villages are being asked to bear the brunt of a regional transportation project, while potentially benefitting little. We URGE the New York State Thruway authority to compensate property owners in the immediate vicinity of the project, who are already living with noise and pollution effects above accepted Federal standards. The Thruway MUST purchase these nearby properties and negotiate immediately in good faith. These homeowners are about to have their quality of life completely negated with long term noise, pollution, dangerous construction, and added traffic resulting from this invasive project.



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