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Andrew Edwards

Mr. Edwards - I am writing to you to advocate for the reclassification of the Intracoastal Waterway waters from Venning Creek to Isle of Palms to Outstanding Resource Waters (ORW). I have lived in Awendaw for the last forty years in Romain Retreat, the properties of which bound on the ICW. I understand that Bulls Bay and Price's Inlet already have the ORW classification.

For many years I have sailed these waters in my Sunfish out to Bulls Bay, Bull Island, and Price's inlet, and in 2005 published Exploring Bull Island: Sailing and Walking Around a South Carolina Sea Island. I have had to become most familiar with the tide's movement through the creeks and marshes of Cape Romain, and I know the directions of the outgoing tide from the ICW to the more protected waters. The adjacent ICW waters should also have this higher classification and protection. The waters, marshes, and marine life are rich but delicate, and all efforts should be made to provide the necessary protection for this invaluable resource.

As a resident in this locale, I feel a strong responsibility to protect Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge. Thank you for your consideration of this reclassification proposal, another step in the refuge's protection.

Sincerely,

Bob

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