

I use GPS to navigate my boat on which I travel the east coast of the US including the Bahamas. I also use GPS to navigate my automobile.

I travel by commercial airlines and they depend on GPS to navigate.

I am also a consumer and practically everything that I consume comes to me via a conveyance that depends on GPS.

Losing the GPS capability would be a disaster. If GPS were to become unavailable, something equally accurate and accessible would have to be available BEFORE GPS terminates or most personal and commercial navigation would cease. It would be tremendously expensive for all current users of GPS to replace their equipment.

I have GPS in my boat and in my automobile and use it whenever I am traveling. I even use it when going to familiar places to avoid hazards, detours, and plan for time of arrival.

I understand that all studies have shown that the proposed broadband network from LightSquared would interfere with GPS. Broadband communications for cellphones and the internet has become essential to our life but GPS is also extremely important. One should not replace the other. We need cellphones, internet, AND GPS.

From what I have learned about this issue, I do not understand why it is even under consideration to displace the primary basis for current navigation on this planet with another broadband network. What is the justification?

Please do not allow this to happen.

Thank you for your consideration.