

I have sailed the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and near coastal waters of the mid Atlantic ocean for almost 50 years and if there is one single thing that has improved safety and saved lives in search and rescue situations, it is the GPS system.

It would be criminal to disrupt this system and destroy the reliability of this critical aid to navigation.

Even if an "add-on" to the units could overcome the problems created by the broad band needs for the system, it would only add more costs to the safety equipment.

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