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Alan, after witnessing several issues with boat speeds in the area under the Anna Maria Island Bridge in the ICW, and receiving a letter from a concerned resident, I am reaching out to Manatee County Natural Resources about changing the area into a "slow speed zone". The concern is the area has no speed restrictions currently and a new marina has been built with a channel intersecting the ICW on the northeast side of the bridge, across from that is the channel leading to Kingfish Boat Ramp, northwest of the bridge. This confluence of channels has made it dangerous due to the restricted visibility of the bridge itself. I understand the Intercostal Waterway is regulated by the State and therefor was hoping the County Commission could send a request for a study to the State. I can be available to explain my concerns at a commission meeting if needed. It should be noted that most other bridges in the area are designated "slow speed" due to the congested boat traffic. Attached is the letter from a concerned resident.

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