

Correspondence ID: 5000 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: When I visit the seashore and wilderness areas, I want quiet and to see the wildlife. Off road vehicles on the beach prevent the enjoyment of the area. There is a great risk to the nesting areas of the wildlife.

There are other areas to drive loud vehicles, but there are not other areas to enjoy the quiet and solitude of nature.

Please help keep quiet areas quiet.

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Correspondence: I am advocating for the increased penalties to be assessed against anyone caught driving vehicles into or over wildlife on any beach or roadway or parking lot attached to said areas under park access. These penalties should include incarceration with no bail until adjudicated. The actual killing of wildlife should be charged as a Felony crime with maximum fines levied or maximum jail time served.

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Name: private
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Correspondence: I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. These nationally significant places represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments. To most Americans National Parks are synonymous with habitat protection and it is well documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrians and wildlife are two examples of problems encountered with ORV use. I hope the Park Service will continue to focus on wildlife protection. Specific science based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their chicks, nests, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds have allowed many species to recover their populations. There are many places that can accommodate ORV's, but a precious few left for wildlife, please keep ORV's out of Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 5003 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Off road vehicles should be restricted to protect wildlife. There are other places for fun.

Correspondence ID: 5004 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
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Correspondence: Prevent Vehicle Death in Cape Hatteras

Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Speak out for wildlife. Visit regulations.gov to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Prevent use of ORVs in Wildlife Habitat.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

The National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore is woefully inadequate. It's like you've complete forgotten the need to protect wildlife. When you think about it, people can use their ORV's in a lot of other places, but this is the animals' home. We have no right to intrude and harm them for a little ORV fun. It isn't fun for the animals and can be deadly.

The current interim plan is working well, so why do you want to give the wildlife less protection than they are currently receiving? The wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

The plan needs to be revised to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Would you want someone coming into your neighborhood and totally disrupting your way of life?

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Correspondence:	WE all want to have a good time. Howevr a good time dos not include the distruction of habatat and ecsystems.						

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Martha McGinnis

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Correspondence: Please enact stronger regulations on beach driving in order to protect wildlife, pedestrians, and the aesthetics. Don't let a recreational interest be what guides you in making your decisions. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration,

-Laura

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLEASE INCLUDE IN YOUR NEW REGULATIONS FOR SEASHORE USE A STRONG SET OF CONTROLS FOR ANY VEHICULAR USE.

AS ONE WHO HAS ENJOYED WALKING ON MANY OF OUR GOVERNMENT PROTECTED BEACHES, AND WHO HAS A GREAT LOVE AND AFFINITY FOR ALL OPEN SPACES, I ABHOR THE INTRUSION OF ANY MECHANIZED CONVEYANCE INTO THESE FRAGILE AREAS.

PLEASE KEEP THEM SAFE!

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted offroad vehicle use in Hatteras and all other public lands!

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help protect endangered animals like sea turtles, sea birds by restricting the access of off-roading vehicles on the coasts of America.

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Correspondence: Not just Cape Hatteras, but all over the country, ORV users are constantly abusing the privilege of off road vehicle use by riding off trail, through private and protected habitat, and endangering wildlife. Laws must be put in place that will allow ORV use, but also protect critical habitat and species. There is no age limit on ORV use and this is one of the biggest problems, as kids don't pay attention and don't see the damage they are causing. We must institute laws for places like Cape Hatteras Nat. Park plus all other Nat. Parks in the country. We have only one country and one world, and we better get busy protecting what is left or we will not have anything left!

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Janice C. Lisk

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Correspondence: We've seen what ORV and ATV's have done to shoreline areas in Hawaii. It would be devastating for Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Don't let this happen.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must help all animals on our planet!!!

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All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Correspondence: I believe in the past week we have seen what happens when we failed to see the damage we are doing to the planet and to the animals that share this planet with us..Earthquakes on the east coast mud slides, tornado's in the cities, hurricanes in area who don't normally see them if that is not a sign to change the way we do things then what is it going to take for you and others to step up and stop this maddness of destroying our planet and the beauty it holds such as the animals..Off road vehicles need not be running along the beaches while innocent animals are present..

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Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Protect the Cape Hatteras Seashore!!

Special Regulations, Areas of National Park System: Cape Hatteras National Seashore (Document ID NPS-2011-0005-0001)

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Correspondence: Please make an effort to protect wildlife from off road vehicles. The animals living in and around recreation areas should be afforded protection from machinery and vehicles that threaten their lives. We, as the so called higher life form, should be able to safeguard those in our trust. The shore birds nesting in Cape Hatteras National Seashore certainly deserve a safe, peaceful and clean place to rear their offspring.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off Road Vehicles should not even be allowed on beaches. It's bad enough that they unregulated in forests and other places where they harrass wildlife.

Please make sure that they cannot ride in nesting areas of any wildlife. Also make sure that they cannot run over any animals.
Thank you,

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do everything possible to save this magnificent natural treasure.

It would be a great loss to us all.

Claire Chamebers

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: As long residents of the east coast before we moved west, we had a cottage at Hatteras and spent many, many weekends in Hatteras and Okcrakoke. Often there were nesting closures on the beach which was great. Regulations need to be implemented to protect the forever inhabitants and send the dune buggy crowd elsewhere.

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It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Immediately stop road vehicles on all seashores!!!

Correspondence ID: 5031 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would like to most strongly urge you to make the restrictions on OTR vehicles at the Cape hatteras National Seashore permanent. Such vehicles wreak havoc both on the land and on the wildlife in an area like this, and they have no place there if we are to preserve this wonderful natural area.

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Correspondence: Keep All Offroad vehicles out of Cape Hatteras Seashore!

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Correspondence: It is very wrong to allow off-road vehicles to drive on any National Seashore. I assume the Cape Hatteras area was protected to preserve the native plants and animals. By allowing vehicles to drive off marked roadways, you are allowing the destruction of irreplaceable natural resources. Please do not allow this to happen!! Many of the shorebirds and sea turtles are already endangered species. I'd like to see live specimens of them instead of only being able to view them in pictures. That would be a travesty!!

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Correspondence: I love cape hatteras, spent many summers riding on the beaches,so fun! But i think i love our natural,Beautiful seashore even more and its vital that we protect the wildlife and their enviroment! if we dont ,who will ?

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It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering

shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific,

Correspondence ID: 5041 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would like to put the protection of wildlife above any form of off the road vehicle use. If the American people were to vote on how to use our parks I do not think very many would want the Plovers species sacrificed so that a very few people can ride their trucks on the beach.

Correspondence ID: 5042 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5043 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have always wondered why in the world vehicles are allowed on our beaches (other than service vehicles). Not only is it dangerous to those sunbathers or swimmers and walkers, it is absolutely lethal to wildlife. We have the same problem in Daytona Beach. I would not visit that beach or any allowing cars and trucks. I hope that this practice can be stopped, give our beaches back to the people. Thank you, M. Dahms

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this

plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Please make sure the regulations limit ORV and protect nesting sites for wildlife such as birds and turtles.

Thank you for your consideration Donna Angotti

Correspondence ID:	5045	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Protections and regulations for CRV use for wildlife and the natural environment are not enough for Cape Hatteras. My husband and I were lucky enough to visit that Cape years ago. We took a nature walk and were able to enjoy the natural beauty. I urge you to rethink your position and tighten up regulations and protections to preserve and enhance Cape Hatteras' natural beauty.						

Correspondence ID:	5046	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As a former resident of NC, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						

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Thank you for your consideration.

Kelly Reames

Correspondence ID:	5047	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
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Please see attached document for more information. Thank you.

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However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5048 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please protect wildlife from beach drivers under the park services plan effective immediately. I support enforceable protection for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5049 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Thanks to the devastation left by hurricane Irene, Cape Hatteras and its animal inhabitants are even more fragile. Allowing off-roading in this ecosystem would be negligent in the extreme. I'm appalled that it's even a possibility.						

Correspondence ID:	5053	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
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Correspondence ID: 5055 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No, the Cape Hatteras National Seashore should be closed to any vehicles except those state employees who patrol and this too needs to be closely moniotred. People and animals safety should come first.

Correspondence ID: 5056 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
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Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
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thank you for your consideration~

most sincerely,

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is important to protect wildlife and the environment, so please do not allow Cape Hatteras National Seashore to be ruined by off-road vehicles. Cape Hatteras Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty and the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Please do not allow ORV use there.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow unrestricted, off road vehicle use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

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In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, then they will be endangered.

Correspondence ID: 5061 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow vehicles on our shores... There are too many precious, endangered species, such as the Piping Plover, that will be killed by these vehicles. They have such good camouflage, it can be difficult to see them by foot when you are looking. People on vehicles will not stand a chance of spotting animals and getting out of the way.

Please ban vehicles on our shores. Thank you

Correspondence ID: 5062 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
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Correspondence ID: 5064 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: National Seashores are not national raceways, not national terrain-destruction sites, not national garbage dumps. There is no place for ORVs, ATVs, 3-wheelers, 4-wheelers, motorcycles, motorbikes, busses, trailers, 18-wheelers or any other type of motorized craft on any surface other than currently paved roads. Certainly, it would be asinine and immoral to allow any such vehicles on the beach(es). Nor is there any place for airboats or jetskis on the waters. If you want to destroy the place currently known as Cape Hatteras National Seashore, then stop pretending and call it a raceway, trashway, parking lot, oil disposal area, or something that would truly portray reality. I'd suggest you simply use common sense and common decency and protect all natural systems and all non-human inhabitants of the area.

Correspondence ID: 5065 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

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As one of the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach habitat on the Atlantic coast, Cape Hatteras is a national treasure visited by millions of Americans. It is also home to nesting shore birds and sea turtles who are threatened by off-road vehicle (ORV) use along beaches. During these critical seasons, it is important to curb off-road vehicles to allow these species the space to grow and fledge.

Plummeting populations of protected wildlife species at Cape Hatteras are starting to recover thanks to increased management protections from the National Park Service (NPS). However, these protections are temporary while NPS prepares a final ORV management regulation. The regulation is nearly completed, but the current draft lacks the critical wildlife protections that have helped species like the piping plover and loggerhead sea turtle. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations."

Correspondence ID: 5066 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello. I am writing to oppose unrestricted ORV (off road vehicle) use in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. ORV use is detrimental to the threatened and endangered species of shorebirds and sea turtles that nest there. Please help protect these animals--restrict the use of ORVs in the area. Thank You, Molly Bradley

Correspondence ID: 5067 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-Road Vehicles just don't BELONG in this area-! It is as simple as that- C'MON, PEOPLE-!!! What's the matter with you-?

Correspondence ID: 5068 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It seems to me that the East Coast flyway and nesting areas will be increasingly important with the increasing habit stress on migratory as well as other species. Surely ATV access can be limited to times of the year when there is no endangerment to nesting birds and turtles. And surely it is legitimate to ask why the leisure activity of a few should be allowed to endanger entire species.

Correspondence ID: 5069 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It was because of a really dumb Bush, on 9/11 and in Iraq, that the U.S. got kicked in the tush. It took the great Obama to hunt and kill the mass murderer who was the infamous Osama. Fail to Bush, an election(s) thief, and hail to our real and current commander-in-chief. Michelle Obama is sensually and implicitly hot; Laura Bush is frigidly and explicitly not. George W. Bush is still an ignorant, feeble fool; Dickhead Cheney is still a nefarious, evil tool.

For the year 2012, Arnold once dreamed that he could be the "Terminator" of Obama, but that philandering Hollywood ex-actor was no match for the exterminator of Osama. The Donald has been trumped and dumped like any of his complicit three or four ex-wives; The Gingrich has been as hounded and pounded as so many Catholic priests' illicit sex lives. Romney's simply a Joseph Smith (not the same guy as Jesus Christ)-worshipping Mormon freak; Pawlenty's a wimpy, pedophile-pardoning Evangelical (same religion as George W. Bush) geek. Yes, Herman Cain isn't the godfather of "Oreo cookies" as are Clarence Thomas and Condi Rice; No, he is not Abel, and he is as able to be a President as Rick Santorum is at giving good advice. Bachmann is an insane, homophobic, delusional, batshit nut-job former IRS snitch; Palin is a Tea-bagging, animal-killing, illusional, "blood libel" gun-nut hard-core PMS bitch. Rick Perry is a dick so scary he makes Bush look like a Harvard genius and a Vietnam War hero. Rick is a prick so dumb that his Texas "college" GPA was nowhere near 4.0 and almost at a zero!

The Faux News Channel is to journalism as what a fox is to a henhouse of hens like lame birds; Rupert Murdoch is a rich scumbag whose integrity is like a box of chocolates that is full of turds. Yes, the economy still somewhat stinks, while the unemployment rate is certainly not any fun; Raising taxes on the rich and helping the poor is what a Jewish zombie, Jesus,

would have done. Living in a bubble, while condemning gays, is a consequence of conservative Christian religion; Ending the tax-exempt status for every single church would be the IRS's most lucrative decision. To fear or hate people for the color of their skin is xenophobic and cannot be Christian or right; We should deport racist Republicans, instead of meek Mexicans, into the Pacific Ocean tonight! Women will be treated equally on the same day that the Cubs win the World Series of baseball; If men had the ability to conceive, there would be no abortion restrictions or pro-lifers at all. Marriage or civil unions are for anyone who is dumb enough to choose that "sacred" institution. Not every American has fully evolved, and this explains how they continue to reject evolution.

St. Ronald Raygun was never our greatest president and is still as overrated as only he can be; Dutch will not ever be in the same league as Franklin Roosevelt, Bill Clinton, or John F. Kennedy. John Boehner is a childish cry-baby and a big boner of a choice for Speaker of the Fright House; Eric Cantor can't be a real man either, but he can act like a rich fat cat or squeaky little mouse. We will never allow a moron in the White House again; any Repugnantcan is not a real friend. Here in Chicago, we shed these joyful tears; we want our President Obama for 4 more years!

Correspondence ID: 5070 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5071 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I do NOT support allowing vehicular traffic on beaches, including Cape Hatteras National Seashore, and strongly object to such a regulation.

Correspondence ID: 5072 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5073 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict ORV use of the National Seashore much more than has been the case in the past. Fishermen can walk to the beach like the rest of us, and joy riders have many other places where they can enjoy their sport. The National Seashore is a place for wildlife, for many species essential for reproduction, with no alternatives. I use these beaches, and continue to be outraged at how ORV drivers pay no regard to the nature around them. They could just as happily be tailgating and drinking in a Redskins Stadium parking lot. Multiple use does not include destructive use of a national resource.

Correspondence ID: 5074 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am writing to express my concern about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing off-road vehicle use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I understand that under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand the allowed use of these vehicles across the Seashore, I believe it will pose a serious threat to endangered wildlife in the area.

I strongly support regulation of off-road vehicles at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. I am the owner of a 200+ acre farm, on which people using off-road vehicles have trespassed upon, and their presence is harmful and disruptive to the environment even in an area without endangered wildlife.

The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas must be set aside for wildlife and pedestrians.

Wildlife protection should not be optional, but as it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection that way, which I find completely unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for sea turtles and other wildlife that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Trina Torstrick Brown

Correspondence ID:	5075	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	<p>Dickheadball (a new sport that is much more exciting than baseball) Are you tired of baseball, America's "pastime" that is past its time in relevance, and find it to be slow-paced and boring? Do you also feel angry about the torture at Guantanamo Bay? Do you feel irate about all of the crimes committed by Vice-President Dick Cheney in those 8 painful years in office? Do you feel like finding justice for the fact that he was never convicted of any of his war crimes and white-collar corporate crimes while he made millions of dollars in the process? Well, you are in luck! A new sport is now here for Americans who enjoy bloodlust in the form of contact sports such as football and hockey but also want to make use of their Louisville Slugger baseball bats. Introducing Dickheadball! The only requirements for this sport are a baseball bat and the head of Dick Cheney. Some of you may wonder why it is his head that will be used for this sport, but let's take a closer look at some of the reasons. Between November of 2000 and January of 2009, this is what happened to Dick Cheney: 1) he "won" the 2000 and 2004 Presidential elections through voter suppression and voter fraud, 2) he won millions of dollars in government contracts for Halliburton, which paid him 30 million dollars in 2000 as an added bonus, 3) he won the support of the media through their cowardice, complicit nature, and conservative bias, 4) he won his plan for the torture or murder of terrorist suspects, all of whom had nothing to do with the events of September 11, 2001 (this still includes Saddam Hussein), and 5) he won his freedom from prison time by escaping any prosecution or conviction. Now, here is what happened to so many of you between November of 2000 and January of 2009: 1) you lost the right to vote or the confidence that your vote would be counted, 2) you lost your civil liberties because the Constitution of the United States was undermined and suppressed, 3) you lost family or friends on September 11, 2001 due to the incompetence of the Bush/Cheney regime that ignored memos which explicitly indicated an imminent attack on the United States that didn't involve Saddam Hussein, 4) you lost family/friends in Hurricane Katrina (this only applies to those of you who are not White), 5) you lost your home due to the collapse of the housing market and the Recession which began in November of 2007, 6) you lost money from your 401K due to the meltdown on Wall Street in September of 2008 as the result of deregulation and excessive white-collar crime, 7) you lost your job due to the fact that it wasn't with Halliburton, Exxon-Mobil, Walmart, or McDonald's, and 8) you lost family or friends in the Afghanistan War (since October of 2001) or the Iraq War (since March of 2003), both initiated by Cheney and his Christian monkey puppet (Bush). The object of the game is to hit Dick Cheney in the head with a baseball bat as hard as you can. Dickheadball is a "contact sport" that is similar to baseball's scoring system: Single= gouge an eyeball or induce blindness in either eye Double= hit his entire nose from his face or pulverize his evil under-bite Triple= induce traumatic brain injury (TBI) with a severe blow to the head Homerun= death, with one swing of the bat, which sends Cheney back to Hell</p>						

Are you tired of being a member of a losing religion? Devout Catholics, you are still losers in spite of your delusional beliefs that tell you otherwise, but you will feel like a winner when you play Dickheadball! Are you tired of the baseball team with biggest payroll always winning the World Series? Suck it, Yankees! Anyone can be a winner when they play Dickheadball, and you don't have to be rich to play; impoverished people will get the first swings. Cubs fans are encouraged to play Dickheadball instead of watching those losers in Wrigley Field. Dickheadball is a game for Americans of any age who enjoy bloodlust or revenge. Also, you don't have to be a Democrat to be good at Dickheadball. Anyone (this would be almost every American) who has been harmed by the greed and corruption of Dickhead Cheney can play. So, batter up!

Correspondence ID:	5076	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras National Seashore and all national parks deserve to be protected, and supported. We owe this to our posterity.						

Correspondence ID:	5077	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please limit or severely restrict the use of Off Road Vehicles in the Cape Hatteras shoreline. Vehicles disturb nests and kill birds and sea turtles, as well as endanger pedestrians. There is no reason for ORVs to freely damage wildlife and habitat and ruin the Park experience for other people. Thank you for your time, Christine Stewart, D.V.M.

Correspondence ID: 5078 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is a necessary for people with disabilities and others who cannot hike to have access to wild areas. One suggestion is slow moving electric trains whose drivers know how to avoid wildlife habitats. ORVs are not an alternative here. These destructive vehicals do not belong in wild areas. They should be restricted to "roads" that are far from wild places and wildlife habitats. This may sound extreme, but, to be honest, it does get tiresome writing letters asking that these things be kept out of wild areas. Please do not allow ORVs access to Cape Hatteras.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5079 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This is regarding the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places of America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources and causes increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. But wildlife protections work. When the Park Service enforces science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, protected species have been rebounding. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations."

Please provide adequate protection for our wildlife and for the benefit of future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5080 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Having been going to the area since I was a small child, about 50 years, I have seen the permanent damage that is being done to the beautiful area. Please don't let this happen, stop it now, it's almost to late!

Correspondence ID: 5081 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: They need our protection!

Correspondence ID: 5082 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No reason to have these vechiles near the shores NON ! Stop this NOW !

Save our Wildlife !!!!

Ms. Grammatico

Correspondence ID: 5083 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Please restrict use of off road vehicles that endanger shoreline wildlife

Correspondence ID: 5084 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5085 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am AGAINST allowing unrestricted use of off-road vehicles because it would threaten wildlife, turtles and shore birds. Please protect the animals' peace, health and safety. People can drive their dumb vehicles someplace else.

Correspondence ID: 5086 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In your plans for beach driving legislation, I hope that you will consider the safety and protection of wildlife. To date, there has been little protection in place for animals. I hope you will consider including wildlife in your consideration of new laws. Thank you, Rina Deych, RN and Wildlife Rehabilitator

Correspondence ID: 5087 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support better regulation of off-road vehicles at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Endangered sea turtles and piping plovers, among other wildlife, need protection from ORVs at this location. The proposed plan for managing ORVs at Cape Hatteras is very inadequate. Wildlife (and pedestrians) need a lot more than 40% safe access to this beach area. Your proposed regulations are much too lenient toward ORVs and way too dangerous for other users. I urge the National Park Service to show more consideration for wildlife and pedestrians. Thank you for your consideration of this message.

Correspondence ID: 5088 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please help all wildlife and not to destroy it !!

Correspondence ID: 5089 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the

Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unfortunate. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I am a past ORV owner and really enjoyed riding. I always wished for more ORV areas but not really at the expense endangered animals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5090 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be allowed on our shorelines where precious wildlife are living and breeding. Please do all you can to heavily regulate or prohibit off road vehicles from going into areas where they will disturb shoreline animals. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5091 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The main concern here is to protect the animals and save the national parks while at the same time maintaining through traffic of ORV's. So that all the national park species have room to flourish while we too can flourish in our own way. As long as it is right for the ecology and the economy i have no problem with it.

Correspondence ID: 5092 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict use of ORVs on beaches that are killing shoreline wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 5093 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5094 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly approve of regulations that will prevent further harm to the habitat of marine and shore animals including sea turtles and plovers. ORVs endanger wildlife, damage the fragile landscape, and disturb the tranquility of this extraordinary area. They do not belong on the Cape Hatteras shore.

Correspondence ID: 5095 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles do not belong everywhere...on beaches, sand dunes and other sensitive areas...the birds, turtles and seals deserve some peace and quiet....

Correspondence ID: 5096 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep our wild places free of ORV!!! Our wildlife deserve to live in their homes disturbance free! Thank you for considering my comments.

Correspondence ID: 5097 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The use of motorized vehicles to "cruise" off-road through environmentally and species' sensitive habitat is unconscionable. Places like Cape Hatteras and Yellowstone National Park (snowmobiles in winter) should be protected against the invasive practice of ATV's, snowmobiles, and other motorized vehicles that disrupt the peace and perpetuity of these wild lands and wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 5098 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Limited beach access needs to be controlled for offroad vehicles during mating and nesting seasons. The state of Washington has controlled areas along the Long Beach Area and other locations further north. Other states have similar areas marked and many rivers and lakes maintain areas for wildlife. Offroaders seem to be a very responsible group and they realize the shorelines are fragile so overuse. Patrolling these areas seems to work well and offroaders are usually considerate of other groups rights.

Correspondence ID: 5099 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To whom it may concern:

I worked for 3 years at the Florida State University Coastal and Marine Laboratory (FSUCML) while earning my master's from FSU. During my time at FSUCML, it was apparent to me that compaction of coastal soils is severely detrimental to coastal and marine habitats. It accelerates erosion and disrupts one of the most productive and important components of the marine ecosystem. Please take special consideration for these issues when regulating beach access to vehicles. The effects of mis-regulation will cause serious and lasting damage.

Sincerely, Chris Peters

Correspondence ID: 5100 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a repeat visitor to the Outer Banks in North Carolina, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I am visiting the National Seashore this weekend for the Labor Day holiday, and will return many times over the coming years. Please implement a plan that will protect the park's natural beauty and diverse wildlife for generations to come.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Philip Schuster

Correspondence ID: 5101 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: One of the reasons one visits wild areas is the natural beauty and wildlife. Unfortunately we then put our footprints and tire tacks all over it. Nature is best left alone. Let's protect it in every way possible to the largest extent possible and maybe tThere will be some in time to come.

Correspondence ID: 5102 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I read that the Cape Hatteras National Seashore is being undermined by unrestricted off-road vehicle use and these vehicles are taking its toll on our endangered plovers and sea turtles.

I would like a proposal to set aside areas for the ORVs so that our birds and turtles are not killed by the use and protected for our future. Seasonal beach driving is should be a must and those that do drive should become award when a license is given to them how driving impacts the wildlife.

It is up to us individuals to maintain our country and its beauty. I would like to the regulations set and instituted for us citizens to become more aware and responsible to our lands and our willife. It is our future.

Thank you, Karen Stahlhut

Correspondence ID: 5103 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife ., the local and visitors. There are many freeways and roads were vehicles belong not the beautiful sands of Hateras. We sail out to the cape every summer and from our perspective the view of vehicles as we get close to the shore is not the Cape Hateras we know.

As yearly visitors we prefer you just do away with the vehicle nonsense and keep things the way Cape Hateras should be prestine and peaceful. Thank you for yourconsideration.

Correspondence ID: 5104 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I disagree with the special regulations being considered for the Outer Banks and the NPS. The application of beach closures, permit requirements, training requirements prior to access, and the ability of the department head to arbitrarily close beaches, places an undue burden on the local population as well as the people that come to the Outer Banks for the atmosphere and relaxation that the OBX is famous for. What is the additional costs for administering thee requirements? These regulations will have a disastrous effect on the tourist industry that is the lifeblood of this area. VFA's will have the effect of concentrating beach users to smaller areas of the beach, causing overcrowding. Families with children will not walk too far from the access roads and limited bathroom facilities that may be available. This will in effect close beaches to use. There will also be no guarantee that trails will be open for use after purchasing a permit, in effect paying for nothing. Federal funds in the form of taxes are already used for the management of the NPS and the OBX; why should the public be charged twice for using what we have

already paid for? The maps available won't show the roads that get closed for resource and safety closures, which are vague and ambiguous, and therefore place an undue burden on families to stay abreast of closures, and the rangers to maintain correct access and closures. Restricting night driving from May to November based on "potential" turtle nesting sites prevents access to prime fishing areas at a time when the most people would be on the OBX particularly to fish. How is a potential nest site determined? Denial of access and beach closures will have no effect other than to discourage people from making a trip to the OBX, thereby destroying an industry.

Correspondence ID: 5105 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5106 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help protect the turtles.

Correspondence ID: 5107 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5108 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5109 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5110 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing in regard to the ORV's which are allowed, for some reason, to drive along and over beach areas where wildlife lives and nests, thereby causing death and injuries to these living beings. Why do people have to take over everything? They obviously know this wildlife is there, but it is of no concern to them. I hope it will be of concern to you. Please make it safe for these beautiful animals. Everything is being destroyed by human activity. It's time for it to stop.

Correspondence ID: 5111 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is very important to protect the wildlife that use Cape Hatteras National Seashore . Without specific protection the wildlife, which can not protect themselves will suffer loss. Please see that each and every species that needs protection is named and protected. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5112 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5113 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: When most people attend the seashore, they do it to enjoy the sound of the waves, the fresh ocean air and the peace and quiet. Peace and quiet which is shattered by infantile off-road vehicles, wave riders, etc. These vehicles waste gasoline, pollute the environment and cause noise pollution as well as attacking shorebirds and other marine wildlife.

The peace of the many, including natural inhabitants of the shoreline such as wildlife, should not be abrogated for the infantile few whose enjoyment comes childishly at the expense of everyone and everything else.

Correspondence ID: 5114 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must design

Correspondence ID: 5115 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on NPS's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I was there the weekend before last & it is one of the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the U.S. This nationally significant place not only protects habitats for rare, threatened, & endangered wildlife, but is also where I & other Americans can visit a wild beach environment that evokes the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America. ORV use impairs park resources. Documented examples include diminished access & increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality & dwindling populations. Wildlife protections work. For several years, the NPS has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds & turtles, their nests, chicks, & hatchlings, & protections for migrating & wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers; threatened & endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the plan's implementation. The NPS has omitted these buffers & other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, & specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the NPS falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." The NPS must designate both ORV routes & specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife & for pedestrians in the regulation. The regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. Half the beach should be set aside. Thanks NPS for your hard work!

Correspondence ID: 5116 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. My family has long been concerned about the status of sea turtles and has visited a number of refuges for them.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. Please make sure that these creatures are around for the children of the future.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5117	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I oppose off road vehicle rulings that hurt wildlife.						
Correspondence ID:	5118	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	"I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America. It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan. Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations."						
Correspondence ID:	5119	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I oppose ORV use in Cape Hatteras National Seashore. They adversely affect wildlife. This activity impacts other uses as well.						
Correspondence ID:	5120	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Do everything to save and protect the wildlife of Cape Hatteras. Do not allow off-road vehicles to threaten the safety and very livelihood of our precious animals who consider Cape Hatteras rightfully their home. RAG						
Correspondence ID:	5121	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please restrict off road vehicles on Cape Hatteras beaches. Off roading tears up the marshes and disrupts valuable turtle and shore bird nests. It's time to put nature ahead of people who know not what they do just for a yahoo.						
Correspondence ID:	5122	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5123	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5124	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do not allow off road vehicle access to the National Seashore, too many species are endangered and disappearing. Are we really wanting to erase the beauty of the world for a few hours of thrills?						

Correspondence ID:	5125	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As a Florida Registered Biologist and part of a local government that manages natural areas in southeastern Florida, I have seen the environmental damage that off-road vehicles cause. Especially in environmentally-sensitive areas like the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						

National parks like Cape Hatteras should have a rule, leave only footprints, take only photos. They are for everyone to enjoy and PROTECT, not abuse and destroy. Off-road vehicle use should be strictly prohibited at Cape Hatteras and all National Parks.

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Mann

Correspondence ID: 5126 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5127 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No to ATVs on Cape Hatteras

Correspondence ID: 5128 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello,

This is a big concern and I feel the same way about jet skies. The wet..lands need to be protected.

Peace, Carolyn Haon

Correspondence ID: 5129 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: pls save the parks !

Correspondence ID: 5130 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To allow off road vehicles along our national seashores is in opposition to those whose mission is to save this Earth, its wildlife, its flora, its atmosphere, for the good of all instead of fulfilling the need for money and power of the few humans.

The US must shake off its addiction for big business's money, and look to a sustainable future for all living things. We are supposed to be good stewards of the Earth and its riches, not rape it and allow it to die, taking us with it.

I hope you

Correspondence ID: 5131 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help save our wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5132 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This proposal only sets aside areas for unrestricted off-road vehicles and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits off-road vehicle use near protected wildlife nesting areas, has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

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Correspondence ID: 5134 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should be limited at Cape Hatteras and on all public lands. They are noisy, frighten wildlife, disturb or harm ground nesting birds and create noxious fumes. Public lands should be places where people can expect quiet, undisturbed recreation.

Correspondence ID: 5135 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We, the public do not need any more havoc in beach, wildlife, or other natural areas. Indeed some activities allowed could stand to be restricted.

Correspondence ID: 5136 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We request that a complete conservation plan be drawn up for Cape Hatteras National Seashore, which is an ecologically most important conservation area. Many globally endangered species inhabit Cape Hatteras including shorebirds and sea turtles and as yet the park's conservaiton oplans do not include a long term conservation plan. We need this now especially as it is the focus of other related legislations.

Correspondence ID: 5137 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific

Correspondence ID: 5138 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Areas such as the Cape Hatteras National Seashore should be off-limits to off-road vehicles to protect shore wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5139 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regarding Doc ID NPS-2011-0005-0001; Special Regulations. I support this proposal that SPecial regulations should be in place. A good place to start is Cape Hatteras but should apply in some form to the rest of our State and National Parks. We must

preserve and protect these areas as they define America

Correspondence ID: 5140 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save our natural wonders such as Cape Hatteras National Seashore from motor traffic, and for those who take the time to appreciate them.

Correspondence ID: 5141 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Please help to protect the wildlife by not allowing any vehicles on these beautiful beaches.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5142 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is clear that the Cape Hatteras National Seashore is in serious need for protections against ORV's and other careless activities. I do remember many years ago when the shore was treated with much more respect and hadn't exceeded its carrying capacity. I do feel for those who acted more responsible but we feel the time has come to increase regulations as well as enforcement. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5143 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protest our national treasures and keep them wild for us and our children and our children's children

Correspondence ID: 5144 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Please restrict the use of off-road vehicles in Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5145 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at

the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5146	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off road vehicles at Cape Hatteras are a bad idea. A "National Seashore" should be a "Natural Seashore".						
Correspondence ID:	5147	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please leave the wildlife alone. Off road vehicles should be prohibited from all beach areas. Sincerely, andrea faith						
Correspondence ID:	5148	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Managers of Cape Hatteras National Seashore:						
	Cape Hatteras has been designated a national seashore because of its natural and wildlife richness and should have these values as the primary ones in any management plan.						
	Please revise your proposed regulations to include wildlife habitat protection as the PRIMARY use of this area, and areas for beach driving in ORV's as a secondary use, and thus smaller in size. The only hope for sea turtles, piping plovers, and other wildlife to survive is to have protected areas in which to live and breed. The entertainment of ORV riders should be secondary to their survival. Trust me, the ORV riders will survive whether they can go beach driving in a national seashore or not.						
	Please get the priorities straight!						
Correspondence ID:	5149	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We citizens actually need to ask you to prevent ORV from being able to use beach areas where wildlife is nesting??? Isn't it your job to figure that out? That seems to be a no brainer. ah, there's the catch, I guess that's why a government agency isn't doing it. So, you think it's more important to favor ORV over human's and wildlife? Do they pay money to use the beaches, is this why they are favored? Generally there's no other reason why politicians or government agency's make these illogical decisions.						
Correspondence ID:	5150	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do not allows ORV's to destroy our wildlife, landscapes such as, Redrock Wilderness, Yellowstone Park, delicate cultural artifacts or the habitat's of these wildernesses.						
Correspondence ID:	5151	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I am writing to urge your agency to strengthen any proposed regulations governing use of seashores under your authority. I'm especially concerned about the effects of overuse by offroad vehicles, dune buggies, etc., on nesting birds and other endangered animal and plant life. I have spent many wonderful hours walking such areas and quietly observing the fauna and flora. I do not wish to prevent others from having the same great experience, but only to limit the negative effects humans can often have on our dwindling natural resources. Please make your new regulations strong enough to protect these shorelands and employ clear, specific rules based on good current science and an abiding sense of the guardianship that the founders of the Park System intended. Thank you.						
Correspondence ID:	5152	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National						

Seashore.

Please make sure that any regulations strongly protect wildlife. I am concerned that the current proposed regulations do not protect wildlife enough. It appears that less than half of the seashore is protected from ORVs. I worry that this will harm seabirds such as plovers, and sea turtles who nest on the seashore. Please make sure that these magnificent animals are protected.

Correspondence ID: 5153 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the animals on the shorelines by stopping vehicles of any kind from using the shoreline.

Correspondence ID: 5154 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I don't see the need for off road vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. It is about time we put our natural resources ahead of a little fun and recreation.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to urge the National Park Service to expand the regulations currently being proposed regarding beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Please expand these regulations to consider and protect nesting areas for birds and sea turtles who need the safety on the beaches for their young to survive.

I request that you increase the mileage of protected beach past the 26 miles now being proposed, as this leaves the remaining 41 miles unprotected. Please extend the length of protection so that during the seasons when the wildlife is nesting, all driving is prohibited from these areas, and only pedestrians are permitted.

As I understand it, currently there has been significant success in protecting wildlife under a plan that has been put into place for the past three years. This plan should be continued.

My son and his wife and family have been visiting the outer banks of North Carolina for years, specifically Cape Hatteras. They would be deeply disappointed if the wildlife were to suffer.

Thank you for your time and attention.

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Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5158 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5159 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am in support of special regulations, areas of National Park System: Cape Hatteras National Seashore (Document ID NPS-2011-0005-0001. I am hoping for the support of everyone involved with this issue. Don't just sit there, do something! Thank you.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting and you will strengthen your position in favor of environmental protections over careless recreation.

Correspondence ID: 5161 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulation limiting off-road vehicle use during wildlife breeding periods is long overdue on the National Seashores. It would only be for a few months out of the year, and would not prevent fishing or beach access, except in certain designated areas.

Correspondence ID: 5162 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Everyone has to agree to get along by agreeing to not do some things that one would want to do, so that others may do some things that they may want to do.

Everything is hee for a purpose, including these harmless animals.

Get along

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore and mandate specific measures to protect wildlife. I hope you will support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5165 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom It May Concern:

I am deeply troubled that the Nat'l Park Service is poised to only reserve about 1/3 of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore for wildlife and pedestrian traffic.

I urge you to reconsider to protect the nesting grounds and habitat so vital for wildlife to thrive.

I ask you to honestly look deep within yourselves and think about what you would rather experience when strolling along the shore with your children...the quiet, a gentle sea breeze, sea turtles, shells and nesting birds or noise, gasoline fumes, garbage, tracks from off road vehicles?

I hope you will have the courage to do the right thing. Thank you.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) in Cape Hatteras National Seashore use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. Please protect wildlife from beach drivers.

Correspondence ID: 5167 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Not only as someone who is concerned about protecting our National Parks, but also as someone who has visited Cape Hatteras National Seashore many times I ask you to please do the right thing and protect it. Please do not allow unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use here, there is absolutely no reason for it. We have precious little wild areas left, and we must do everything we can to respect, preserve and protect it. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5168 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: parks and beaches for people, not cars...

Correspondence ID: 5169 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence: the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Please ban ORV use in this area.

Correspondence ID: 5172 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The future depends on us. We must preserve our earth for future generations and do everything we can to pass it down intact to our descendants.

Correspondence ID: 5173 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: The world has been up and down in terms of protecting animals. Some great things have been done recently for them, but plenty of threats still remain. So many of our waters, public lands, forests, and open spaces have already been ruined by development, drilling, OTV/ATV use, and roads. The animals are running out of places to live and be safe. Our wildlife are under threat from so many angles. They desperately need to be protected, mainly from humans.

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Thank you for allowing me to comment.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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"I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully, Michael Manes

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing in support of stringent guidelines protecting wildlife from vehicles on the beach at Cape Hatteras Natl Seashore. I am opposed to any increase in the areas where driving is allowed on the beach. As it stands there are not enough miles of protected beach. We need to restrict driving on more miles of beach, not less. I feel very strongly that the Park Service's first priority should be to protect those endangered species that call the park home, such as Loggerhead sea turtles and Plovers. thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5177 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The temporary plan in effect the last three years showed results: the number of sea turtle nests increased by nearly half. Please do not let that progress fall to the wayside. These animals are a vital part of the Cape Hatteras ecosystem. Continue to protect them.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sue Pienciak

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Thank you, Charlotte Stahl

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: off road vehicles of all types should be banned from all national parks. This is not a question of personal freedom. If you really want to appreciate the natural world around us than you have to be willing to walk trough it. These vehicles are used by those who are to lazy to walk. Tough. If you don't appreciate the wilderness enough to walk trough it than you don't deserve to see it. The noise and pollution (besides the danger to wildlife ruin the environment for those of us would like to see it as pristine as possible. If you want to ride on of those vehicles you should just fo to track and race around.

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Diane Hestich

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Correspondence ID: 5185 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Forbid the use of off road vehicles in the Seashore. You know full well that the wildlife will be irreparably damaged by allowing indiscriminant use of such vehicles in that environment.. Please stop it from happening.

Correspondence ID: 5186 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We only have one planet, if we don't take care of it and everything that resides on it, who will? Once it is gone it is too late! Take care of our planet!

Correspondence ID: 5187 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

Please, this is important. I am user of our parks and am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation

for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a parent, a environmental activist, a educator, and a animal rights advocate, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

There should be NO ORV USAGE AT ALL along these delicate seashores. Our fragile ecosystems need to be protected, not exploited.

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan does not set aside nearly enough miles of seashore for wildlife. This plan currently sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. REALISTICALLY, THAT IS NOT ENOUGH SPACE!! More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the PROPOSED REGULATIONS treat wildlife protection as optional, which is UNACCEPTABLE. I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO REVISE THIS PLAN TO INCLUDE CURRENT BUFFERS AND OTHER EXPLICIT PROTECTIONS FOR WILDLIFE LIKE PIPING PLOVERS AND SEA TURTLES THAT RELY ON THE HATTERAS SEASHORE!!

Thank you for your consideration.

SUZAN JASTRZEMBSKI

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It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific,

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Dear Sir,

To be perfectly honest, I would like to see ALL off road vehicles prohibited from using any of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore area. ORV usage damages and destroys habitat and ruins the area for those of us who come to enjoy nature and respect wildlife.

At the very least, I would support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Sincerely, Lynn Alley

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please keep the animals safe! it is their home too.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing out of concern for the wildlife at Cape Hatteras National Seashore in North Carolina. I have family in Raleigh and Fort Bragg, NC and I know the fun that can be supplied through off-road vehicles. But I feel strongly that the current plan to reserve only 26 miles of the beach for pedestrians and wildlife will result in unfortunate and long-term impacts on biodiversity. Setting aside a much smaller percentage of the National Seashore would still allow for tremendous recreational activities.

The gains made in populations of sea turtles since 2007 have been impressive. In an era when we are becoming increasingly aware of human impacts on biodiversity and the importance of the general health of our oceans, careful protection of these and the other threatened species in the area is critical.

It is possible that viewing of the sea turtles nesting grounds (at a safe distance which would not interfere with their behavior) could also become a source of ecotourism for the area. The regulations regarding the shorebirds and sea turtles in this region would benefit greatly from expansion and enforcement. Even if the protected areas are expanded, it will be of minimal use if the

additional lands are not secured.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5197 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please amend the proposed rule to create greater protection for sea turtles and shore wild life. Specifically please restrict off road vehicles to (the dump) or only on roads within the National seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5198 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles are not only polluting, but make considerable erosion on our precious earth. I understand the industry and the money involved, but does that make it the correct way to go? We all need to re-think what recreational things that enhance our life vs the impact we have doing it!

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However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific

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National seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of undeveloped beach on the seacoast of the United States. These places protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, and represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments. ORV use impairs park resources by diminished access, increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. Wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. Under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan. However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation. The regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To whom it may concern,

I am concerned about the off road vehicles being used along shorelines where sea turtles lay eggs and birds and other wildlife have nesting sites. Please provide enforceable, science based protections for the nesting areas and wildlife and provide restrictions on off road vehicle use so these vehicles aren't expanding over more and larger areas of shorelines.

These animals have it hard enough with oil spills, hurricanes and beach erosion as it is. People nationwide showed how upset they were that shore birds and sea turtles were harmed in the BP oil spill and that the protections of these animals is important to people everywhere. Please help protect our nations wildlife.

Thank you,

Connie Hicks 4474 S. Jefferson Ave. Spfd., MO 65810

Correspondence ID: 5205 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please save these animals from being harmed. It is wrong not to protect them.

Correspondence ID: 5206 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please prohibit the recreational use of off-road or any recreational vehicles on the beaches of Cape Hatteras and other proposed areas. Wildlife is being squeezed out natural habitats and nesting grounds at an alarming rate and we must take action to stop the destruction. Sea life and sea and shore birds have taken huge hits in recent years through pollution, natural disaster, and an easing of protections. Let's preserve and protect our wildlife while we still can, once they are gone they are gone forever! I will not wish to go to previously serene, beautiful, rugged, remote Cape Hatteras if the natural calm and beauty is replaced by the fumes and buzzing sound of people roaring past me in ATV's (I will go to the racetrack or motocross if I want to be around the noise and fumes!)

I have amazing memories of spending summers at Cape Hatteras as a child. I hope that generations to come will get the same chance to experience the wonderful remote, rugged beauty of the area that I did. Please do not allow the ATV's ... they will ruin the seashore for all. We must preserve the creatures that call it home! Please DO NOT ALLOW this MADNESS!!!!

Sincerely, Suzanne Vetek

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray:

As a frequent visitor to the Outer Banks for the past 30 years, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulations for off road vehicles must include specific and strict instructions for wild life protections as to habitat, nesting sites, etc.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Maceira

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposed regulation re: beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers.

And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife and has made a significant difference.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections of wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5215 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5216 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shore birds and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5217 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5218 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: What do we gain with this permit? The destruction of endangered species, more CO2, possibly collisions between people and ATVs. Not all so-called recreation is equal. People visiting the Cape for its scenic beauty, the ocean, animals, are trying to get away from the noisy, machine-based, smelly and reckless use of these machines. Please, rely on your scientists and prevent such machines from despoiling the seashore of Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 5219 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am quite certain that one of the most important jewels of our nation. Having visited there for week long family reunions of over thirty people on three different occasions, of this I am positive. While some development has made it habitable, the continued natural and man-made erosion of beach sites and the freedoms they offer to children of all ages is quite troubling. I expect that the government of our country will do its job to protect this valuable resource as a people-friendly area, but Not to the detriment of its ecosystem. I am all for public access and fair land use, but not when it threatens that which we love: the beach, shoreline, water, wildlife and scenic views that my family has come to love. Over four generations of my family have been to these beaches to laugh, play, and appreciate its immense beauty. I hope - no, I expect, that my childrens' children will be able to do the same.

Correspondence ID: 5220 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Beach vehicles driving on shorelines have killed marine wildlife. Restrict unnecessary beach driving!

Correspondence ID: 5221 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am kindly asking you to severely restrict or ban off road vehicles from the National Park System, including Cape Hatteras National Seashore. These vehicles disturb, disrupt and destroy the natural habits that the National Park System was created to protect.

Thank you for your consideration of my input. Jillian Flynn

Correspondence ID: 5222 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I'm extremely concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted irreversibly.

Embarrassingly, the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5223 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on NPS's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources, including diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, increased wildlife mortality, and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, NPS has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, NPS has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, NPS falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this

flaw, NPS must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation. Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5224 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I want to voice my concerns regarding the use of off road vehicles and their use on beaches and delicate environments. I would appreciate if those areas were off limits to off road vehicles . Please protect the shore wildlife, sea turtles birds etc.

Marge Lachecki

Correspondence ID: 5225 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I urge you to use your position to implement restrictions on ORVs at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Please restrict these vehicles in areas that are used by wildlife for nesting and raising their young, and use science-based, specific and enforceable restrictions at this Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5226 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect shore animals from vehicles riding off road on the beach.

Correspondence ID: 5227 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop unregulated off road traffic in our national parks and oter national treasure areas.It kills wild animals,birds and turtles.

Correspondence ID: 5228 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Correspondence ID: 5229 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our wildlife, they share the earth with us. It's not hard to designate areas for off road driving

Correspondence ID: 5230 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: leave our wild beaches wild. stop the f059637=87!@#%^^ greed and feeding us 1/2 truths to suit corporate desires!

Correspondence ID: 5231 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please make a strong stand for wild life

Correspondence ID: 5232 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles have proved disastrous for flora, birds and other animals in the deserts of the Southwest as well as in sand dunes on the West Coast. Allowing such vehicle traffic in Cape Hatteras National Seashore would have the same effect. Please, can't we learn from others mistakes and take steps to stop off road vehicles in other national areas that should be conserved?

Correspondence ID: 5233 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. If off road vehicle use is expanded across the seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife will be impacted.

As currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is completely unacceptable. Revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife.

Do the right thing for innocent wildlife and not for greedy polluting people on useless vehicles.

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Claire Jackson

Correspondence ID: 5235 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I think that of road vehicles do not belong on Cape Hatterus. They threaten the wildlife and that is one of the great things about National Parks, being able to see wildlife. Please restrict all vehicles to the roads.

Correspondence ID: 5236 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict ORV use so as to preserve shoreline birds, turtles, and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5237 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Mother Earth needs our help. greedy humans are destroying everything beautiful. thank you

Correspondence ID: 5238 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off-road vehicles from the seashore. We owe it to the wildlife to give them safe areas.

Correspondence ID: 5239 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to emphasize the importance of putting into place specific protections for wildlife and pedestrian visitors to ensure that wildlife recovery continues and that the safety of all visitors is protected in Cape Hatteras. Please consider these factors when passing ORV regulations. Cape Hatteras is a critical habitat for a number of species. We cannot afford to overlook protection for species like the piping plover, which contributes to making Cape Hatteras a national treasure.

Correspondence ID: 5240 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: no more off road cowboys- keep the seashore wild!

Correspondence ID: 5241 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please provide more vehicle-free areas to protect wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5242 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be allowed to be driven on the shorelineThe wildlife that lives and there and the turtles that lay eggs need to be safe and protected. Please stop the vehicles and protect the wildlife. Our shores are in danger of eroding and nature itself cantake a toll on the shore. Vehicles should not be allowed to be driven on the shore as they only tend to exacerbate the problem.

Correspondence ID: 5243 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: These are meant to be wild areas not walked or drove on. (period)

Correspondence ID: 5244 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hattaras should be protected from many off road vehicles for the time being to allow recovery of this land after Hurricane Irene.

Correspondence ID: 5245 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to stop and think of all the things we are doing that are harming our environment and killing animals that are

endangered. Please restrict these off road vehicles that are harming the Cape and its natural habitat and animals.

Correspondence ID: 5246 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
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Sincerely,

Jennifer Sellers

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep the ORV's off the beach in Cape Hatteras~!!! Stop this madness~!!!!

Correspondence ID: 5248 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: we all need to be mindful of our wildlife and the diversity they bring to our planet let's us include them all in the protection support we are offering in this area. I would like to make sure to add specific protections for wildlife and pedestrian visitors into the ORV regulation to ensure wildlife recovery continues and that the safety of all visitors is protected. thank you from a fellow shore line inhabitant

Correspondence ID: 5249 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: these birds are protected which means they need your protection do your job and protect them

Correspondence ID: 5250 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: These types of "recreationalists" are the worst when it comes to having ANY respect for nature. We have witnessed, in our lifetime, one park after another, or one wild area after another, get destroyed over time by these kinds of "thrill seekers". The degree of trash, trespass, desecration, and destruction that they wreak is breathtaking at it's best. We have seen it over and over and over again. The abusive nature of this mentality and these kinds of "sport" only add to the already weakened and sickened nature of our wild areas (what's left of them). We have seen so many dying and sick forest and desert landscapes, that it's like watching a slow death of a planet, yet the greed factor, the "me-ism" and the ignorance is still rampant (worse than ever). It may be game over for the human race, and allowing the destruction of our forests through mismanagement, mining and recreation, is sealing our fate, collectively. Our Co2 trapping trees are dying in mass already, our streams are overflowing with sediment and pollution, and mind waste is everywhere. Add off road vehicles to the mix, put them in close proximity to our ocean beaches and nesting areas, and we have the perfect storm of destruction from mountain high to valley low to ocean shores. Let's just all consider our kids, grand kids, and beyond for just a second and make sane choices for once in our lives, while there is still time. Is there still time do you think? Tour the country and see the tole. It's utterly shocking (we travel a lot in our Prius).

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Correspondence ID: 5252 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please provide additional vehicle-free areas for wildlife nesting.

The current proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the U.S. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments.

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Correspondence ID: 5254 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help save the beachfront wildlife on the Outer Banks of NC. The habitat is being destroyed by off-road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 5255 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I think that there are enough places for people to go and ride what ever they want to ride without them getting away with riding on protected land. Arrest them and make it mandatory that they go through a learning program that teaches them why and how wildlife are "given" these few and far between places where they are protected, enabling them a small guarantee of a chance at life. Add to that sentence a mandatory 40 hours community service working with wildlife "protectors" to be done in no less then a month. Finally, make them write a 2000 word presentation on what they learned and present it to a local elementary school, showing the kids that everyone can learn from their mistakes.

Correspondence ID: 5256 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations."

Correspondence ID: 5257 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As someone who owns property on the Jersey shore near cape May,I can tell you that the keeping off road vehicles banned from the National seashore is of paramount importance.

Correspondence ID: 5258 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. I oppose off road vehicle use on these beaches!

Chrissy Jacobsen

Correspondence ID: 5259 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please preserve the sealife.

Correspondence ID: 5260 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

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It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. This is unacceptable, and has to be remedied, by designating both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5261 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: The vast majority of human visitors come to experience North Carolina's beaches for the purpose of walking the sands, swimming in the ocean and experiencing the wildlife. A beach without tire tracks, without the kind of trash and burned out campfires that vehicular visitors leave behind is infinitely more attractive to all. There is also considerably less expense and effort involved in keeping fragile dunes and sandcape intact for pedestrians. As frequent visitors to Hatteras and the Outer Banks, my family and friends take great pleasure in the fact that so much progress has been made these last few years to restore the natural beauty and wildlife belonging to North Carolina's coast. It would be shameful to sacrifice that progress to the careless desires of folks who wish to turn our beaches into yet another highway for their driving pleasure and the wildlife into more roadkill.

Correspondence ID: 5262 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

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Seashore. Each fall we go on vacation in the Outer Banks, in the National Seashore, and we were very sorry to see where the ORV were allowed to go. It was hard to find a peaceful spot on the beach with no Jeep or pick-up truck driving by every five minutes! Many people we met were thinking the same way.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5264	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We need to be respectful of the areas around our shorelines. There are many species of birds and sealife that use these areas for reproduction. These are not areas that should have motor vehicles driving all over them.						

Correspondence ID:	5265	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	There are plenty of other places for off-roaders to pursue their hobbies. Please do not make Cape Hatteras National Seashore one of them. Our wildlife are dwindling and require all the areas to produce that they can get. Eco tourists will spend more money than off-roaders will and the land will remain pristine versus it being degraded by off road vehicles.						

Correspondence ID:	5266	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
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While the regulation of ORVs is certainly laudable, there is no point without a pristine environment to enjoy ourselves in. As it is, the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife, creating the very real risk that environmental destruction. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Correspondence ID:	5267	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Do the best to preserve Cape Hatteras						

Correspondence ID:	5268	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off Road vehicles do not need to be riding around where endangered wild life roams.

Correspondence ID: 5269 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect delicate wildlife in shore areas. Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 5270 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I live across the beach from the Pacific Ocean on the west coast, where we have endangered Snowy Plovers trying to nest and raise their chicks in a place awash with urban dog walkers, letting their dogs off leash (even though the beach is national park) to chase birds. The dogs are a huge part of the reason why the plover here are endangered.

But dogs are small and slow and quiet compared to off-road vehicles. To ensure extinction, all you've got to do is allow off-road vehicles free access and you'll never have an issue with plovers again.

In other words, beaches are first and foremost for the inhabitants of the beach. Humans visit, we don't live, there. We have no right to destroy it as a living place for other species.

Correspondence ID: 5271 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please prevent off-road vehicles from endangering wildlife at Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5272 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have visited and enjoyed the beauty of unspoiled Cape Hatteras. I want more of my country - America the Beautiful' to be unspoiled. Before there is no more beauty left. I urge you to adopt rigorous standards to protect wildlife and promote less destructive man activities such as hiking, biking and enjoying nature without man-made structures. Wildlife needs to have its own man-free areas of beach. Why must we be so greedy and want it all for ourselves? Let's share our natural resources and make a better world for it. Please prohibit man made structures and preserve natural wildlife areas.

Correspondence ID: 5273 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: We need to protect the unspoiled places, which are vital and essential for the wildlife to continue to thrive.

Correspondence ID: 5275 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not open the entire Hatteras National Seashore to Off- Road Driving. I would support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. I strongly oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5276 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Off road vehicle drivers are a small portion of those who visit Cape Hatteras National Seashore each year, but they are among the most vocal. We need to have our voices heard and speak up for all of the piping plovers, sea turtles, sea and shore birds and all of the other wildlife that relies on this region.

When we come to this area, we come for the peace and quiet and not to hear or see off road vehicles. Who will pay for the destruction that the off road vehicles cause. It better not be the tax payers.

Correspondence ID: 5277 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

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Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Correspondence ID: 5278 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: After years of advocacy and litigation by conservationists, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number

rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. I however support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Please protect our precious Hatteras wildlife from ORV pleasure seekers who could wreak havoc on them. The price of a motorized thrill is not worth it.

Correspondence ID: 5279 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I completely oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5280 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Piping plovers, among other species, rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. I am supporting specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Regards, Becky

Correspondence ID: 5281 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please consider the wildlife. Give them and those of us a chance to have a natural environment.

Correspondence ID: 5282 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help us end this senseless desecration of our beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5283 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: All vehicles should be excluded from driving on the beach at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5284 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5285 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Habitat and wildlife have had no chance to adapt to offroad vehicles.

When offroad vehicles threaten habitat and wildlife, we must decide in favor of the habitat and wildlife, and our regulations must reflect that policy. Otherwise, the habitat and wildlife have no chance.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Correspondence ID: 5286 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have witnessed many times first hand the damage off road vehicles can cause an area and would strongly urge that these vehicles be kept off any sensitive areas, especially where threatened or endangered wildlife is breeding. There is no reason why these vehicles should be allowed to trash our public beaches other than sheer arrogance and disregard for other forms of life. Please, at the very least, adopt reasonable regulations. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration. Sincerely, Richard Saxe

Correspondence ID: 5287 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5288 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect wildlife prohibit off road vehicle use in wildlife areas.

Correspondence ID: 5289 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect this place from off road vehicles as they will kill birds, scare wildlife and reek havoc with the environment every time a 4 wheeler runs amok in this area. No off road driver does this to be quiet or respectful for the environment. Off road vehicles are intended for speed, loud noise and entertainment. Keeping this area quiet and safe for the wildlife is what is necessary and needed in all wild places in this country.

Correspondence ID: 5290 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

END THE DESTRUCTION

Correspondence ID: 5291 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It's indisputable, OHV use on beaches is destructive to wildlife and their habitat. In addition, for those (of us) wanting to experience the beauty and peacefulness of the coastal environment, forget it where OHV's are.

I urge you to protect the Cape Hatteras National Seashore from destructive OHV use. Please be good and responsible stewards of this shoreline.

Sincerely,

Watson Gooch

Correspondence ID: 5292 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5293 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This should not be an option. Can't we keep this beautiful beach area safe for wildlife there are so many other options for the recreational vehicles. This area needs to be protected!!

Correspondence ID: 5294 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have taken many trips to the Outer Banks and have always been refreshed and amazed at the beauty I find there. I have chosen to go in the months before or after tourist season because the beaches are still as beautiful and often deserted, especially in September and October, April and May. I especially relish the wildlife I see there and have often used it to teach my family about the beauty and benefits of the ocean, dunes and eco systems in the area. Please do not allow it to be ruined by people who do not care about nature and keeping the beaches and animals safe. Horses have been hit by 4-wheelers and off road vehicles, and horses are a lot larger than sea turtles and sand pipers. PLEASE protect the wildlife so it will still be there to be seen by my grandchildren and their grandchildren. Thank you for caring. The beaches cannot be enjoyed by driving at 35 and 45 miles per hour. Walking at a leisurely pace is the best way to enjoy all the beaches of North Carolina have to offer. Help to keep that possible for the future.

Correspondence ID: 5295 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose allowing motorized Off-Road Vehicles in any area of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Not only is it dangerous to wildlife that depend upon areas like this for survival and raising offspring, it destroys the tranquility that many human visitors seek when they decide to visit this or any other National park, and can also be dangerous to those visitors, especially children.

Correspondence ID: 5296 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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For some unknown reason the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlif

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Gentlepersons: There is no reason for vehicles to drive in this area. Alternatives to beach drivng exist in the area and one can park a vehicle to look at and walk the area. The threat of driving over habitat and nesting areas of wildlife in this region is not a necessary feature to enhance one's experience of the unique area.

Considering that the persons who visit this area will be nature enthusiasts and this area will attract many visitors because of it, there is no reason that tourists to this region would be drawn to it if exhaust and damage to the terrain would be allowed. Please keep this area pristine and not liken it to a Daytona Beach.

Correspondence ID: 5298 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

What is most important for my recreation is protection of wild life, and I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I consider it your job to protect wildlife. There is much need for that these days. But the proposed regulations are grossly inadequate.

Please revise the plan to exclude ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. It is the HOME and nesting ground for wildlife. There are an abundance of other options for such a possibly destructive practice as ORV use. Please do your job and protect the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Sincerely, Tricia Appleton

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5300 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do the right thing and provide the much needed protection to our environment and public parks. The Republicans are complete imbeciles in disregarding this important issue.

Correspondence ID: 5301 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: GIVE THE WILDLIFE A BREAK.KEEP THE DESTROYERS OUT...

Correspondence ID: 5302 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep the beach for the animals. There is many places the off road vehicles to go without harming or disrupting the wildlife. Beaches were made for nature not wheels. Please save the animals.

Correspondence ID: 5303 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There is absolutely no reason for driving beaches that are known nesting areas. Surely there must be a way to protect the birds AND find some area where the ATV people can exercise their "right to drive on sand" .

Thank You, Carol Daniels

Correspondence ID: 5304 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Barrier islands have proven time and again their value in protecting the coastline.

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Correspondence ID: 5306 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help our wildlife. Off road vehicles poison our earth and kill innocent animals, birds, sealife and just add to the global warming problem. It's a full circle when these practices are allowed. Unfortunately, living creature on the planet suffers for someone elses enjoyment and iggnorance.

Correspondence ID: 5307 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the precious shoreline as many wildlife depend on this area to rest and shelter. Four wheel drive vehicles do not belong on the fragile beach.

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These thoughtful changes will preserve the coastal experience for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please end the use of off road vehicles in these sensitive areas. We need to protect our national treasures and the animals living in these areas are among our greatest treasures!

Correspondence ID: 5310 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep ATVs off the beaches and pristine wildlife areas! They're loud, polluting, disruptive to hikers, walkers, and bird watchers. It's time that non-disruptive, non-consumptive wilderness users - not to mention wildlife - had their rights put first for a change!!

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras is a beautiful seashore and a great beach for families and for the creatures of the Outer Banks. Please support maintaining this by not allowing vehicles which impact sea turtles in a negative fashion.

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Correspondence:	"I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.						

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Name:	private						
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Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.						

Please protect fragile ecosystems and wildlife. Don't allow off road vehicles to use them as racetracks.

Correspondence ID:	5317	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off road vehicles should be restricted to private property. The noise alone can harm wildlife well-being. Off road vehicles are for "couch potatoes". Let them walk like everybody else. It might even help the obesity epidemic in our country. Wildlife survival is tough enough as it is. Please outlaw this on fragile public lands. Thank you						

Correspondence ID:	5318	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We (people and animals) need to preserve places of beauty, peace and quiet in our country.						

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the wildlife nesting areas of Cape Hatter by designating this a National Seashore!

Correspondence ID: 5321 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In order to preserve critical wildlife at Cape Hatteras National Seashore Park such as nesting turtles, I urge more restriction than are in the proposed regulations and request the vehicular traffic not be allowed on more than one-half of the shoreline.

It is imperative that we do as much as possible to protect wildlife for the enjoyment of current and future generations.

Thank you for your consideration of this additional protection in the regulations.

Sincerely, Ray Crickenberger

Correspondence ID: 5322 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep these destructive off-road vehicles away from defenseless birds and other wildlife.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Just a little bit of imagination and initiative and very little NPS funds/personnel can cure this problem!

To NOT do so will be a BLOT on NPS !

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I believe NPS needs to clearly specify restrictions on Off Road Vehicle (ORV) use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. These restrictions must keep ORV's from driving near any protected wildlife nesting areas.

A temporary rule restriction existing for the last 3 years that does exactly what I'm requesting should be made permanent. During the 3 year period of this temporary restriction nests of shore birds and sea turtles have greatly increased in this location.

Please don't allow man to destroy wildlife at yet another national treasure like Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Any proposal must include site preservation for bird nesting and breeding areas generally, as well as consider the impact to erosion and such related issues. Or they can do what their ancestors did. Walk. Period.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I cannot believe anyone still believes that a pristine balanced natural landscape can continue to exist with loud, fast, wide tired machines driven by self-centered, arrogant, careless humans mowing down anything in its way crisscrossing all over it. Save the

land, its wildlife and your self by enacting specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife. Keep parks vehicle-free.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please extend all protections to the shore wildlife and any other wildlife affected by off-road vehicles. We need to protect endangered species - as they go so will we if we do not intervene.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep our precious wildlife safe for future generations! Humans do NOT need another place to ride their fossil-fuel powered, noisy machines!!!!!! PROTECT THE Cape Hatteras National Seashore!

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Mayra Diaz

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Having spent my honeymoon on the Hatteras seashore I am interested in the health and safety of plants and animals on the beaches and dunes.						

Vehicular traffic must be eliminated!

Correspondence ID:	5333	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	special human interests should not cause animal and habitat to diminish humans need to understand that we can only cause harm to other life forms until it comes back to us						

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Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off road vehicles should be prohibited from all beaches in the USA to prevent wildlife death and beach erosion.						

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off road vehicles to protect wildlife. We need wider areas protected to allow adequate protected grounds for turtles.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is important to protect all beach habitation and wildlife that resides there. Here in Washington several years ago we had an incident. Several people and their vehicles drove onto a protected beach where No Vehicles were allowed. They tore up and killed the wildlife nesting there. It was protected bird sanctuary. I do not know if they were ever caught or convicted, I can only pray someday they will be.

Correspondence ID: 5339 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As population and development increase on this planet, it is more important and urgent than ever to watch out for wildlife. There's not much margin of error left. Driving on Cape Hatteras seashore is not necessary for the seashore to be used and appreciated by people. Too many birds and turtles are at risk to allow traffic on the beach. Please regulate this.

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I am opposed to unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. The regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore that the National Park Service is planning to adopt do little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Please adopt regulations that will protect nesting wildlife.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Access: limiting the beauty and joy of OBX is a waste of tax payer resources, in my opinion. Fishing spots change often and may not be there the next day. We all try to avoid being too close to others where entanglement is assured; surfers, fishermen and sun bathers. However, I like the idea of creating more over the dune access for those not able to drive on the beach, but at what risk does this create to the life expectancy of the dune? You notice the ORV ramps do not change the dune. Those boards laid down many years ago remain established.

Limiting: types of vehicles for beach driving and a speed limit is good. I witnessed a buggy rental company flying up and down the beach within inches of parked vehicles. This is not safe and he was lucky neither human nor animal were injured.

Erosion: two days of a Nor'easter, extreme high tides and storms do more damage than ORVs could do over 60 years. A ship wreck may be visible one day then gone the next. An ORV can not do that.

Wildlife: is continuously killed more often by predators, seagulls, dogs off leash, others and annihilated by storms; Isabel 2003. My wife and I enjoy wildlife and feed in our back yard. We also enjoy keeping track of our birds during the Cornell University Bird Count every year. Why would I purposely kill something we enjoy?

Fees: reasonable & monitored, to prevent wasteful use of, could work. May I suggest an 800 "Watch Dog" phone number for anonymous reporting of wrong doings? No matter where you go in this world, there are mean people.

Overall, I could live with a third of what is considered for the OBX beach access. Being a fisherman for over 46 years and a member of the NCBBA for 3 years, I have enjoyed Hatteras Island. There is uniqueness to Hatteras; enjoyment of peace and quiet is a must except for the waves hitting the shore line or the sounds of laughing seagulls or sand pipers chirping at the water's edge looking for something to eat.

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Correspondence: Live those sensitive environments track free. No vehicles!! None. This is a national monument and a sensitive area that needs to be preserved as Jame Muir and Teddy Roosevelt understood over a century ago. Get with it and ban motorized vehicles in these areas.

Correspondence ID: 5343 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a student in the wildlife management department at Humboldt State University, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. I have heard first-hand from fellow biologists working in the area who inform me of the conflict with ORV use and wildlife. There must be some better compromise where wildlife can be given more area without use of ORVs.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Stephanie Eyes

Correspondence ID: 5344 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5345 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Would you please keep the killer vehicles out of the space that wildlife needs to survive,please ,please,please...THANK YOU

Correspondence ID: 5346 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration. Michael Johnson

Correspondence ID: 5347 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number

rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5348 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-road riders are notorious for being careless and crazy, not to mention the drinkers. You have fragile wild-life that must be protected. Don't get me wrong, I love the outdoors, off-roading, power boating, etc. However, doing these things I see more idiots and fools that do more damage than have fun.

Your main objective is to protect these creatures, that belong to the generations not yet born. As Americans it is our duty to preserve our country and it's treasures for future generations. Please do not fall into this attitude of the have fun now, and let the next generation deal with our damages, that is an unAmerica attitude and is the most unpatriotic behavior I have ever seen. As a leadership agency, it is YOU, that must stop these acts, and it is YOU that must take over the noble and important duties of preserving our nation and it's treasures for ALL FUTURE AMERICANS.

Please remember this, I know it is easy to lose sight of such things, but we need you to stand up and LEAD, lead our people back to ethics, values, and American ideals of preservation, and doing that which is for the common good of ALL Americans, as well as those not yet born.

Protect these lands, and use reliable science. I am an FAU student, double major of Geology and chemistry, and I am minoring in GIS. I have learned the power of GOOD SCIENCE and RELIABLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION. It does matter.

Correspondence ID: 5349 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am have read about and have become alarmed by the proposal for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan as it is currently proposed would not offer the wildlife the protection that it so desperately needs.

I ask you to please revise the plan to include explicit protections for the wildlife that live and co-exist with people on Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration. Anne Wallace

Correspondence ID: 5350 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I wish to register my opposition to NPS regulations to facilitate off road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

ORV drivers are vocal beyond their numbers. They are but a small portion of visitors. I'm writing to voice the interests of reviving residents and visitors: piping plovers, sea turtles and sea and shore birds.

Protect sea life over beach driver life. Invert the balance in favor of the wild over the tread: Expand vehicle-free areas from 26 to 41 miles. Reduce ORV areas from 41 to 26 miles.

Stipulate that wildlife protection is primary and ORV use optional.

Keep working for us, and for the critters who brought you to the NPS!

Thanks and sincerely,

Correspondence ID: 5352 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore regulations for off road vehicles must take into consideration the least possible impact on the beach and the creatures that make use of the beach. Certainly, simply the presence of such vehicles will be disturbing to the wildlife that needs these beaches to live their lives. Personally, it makes no sense to me that off road vehicles are permitted in national parks.

Correspondence ID: 5353 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would like to see the proposed regulation protect wildlife nesting areas and mandate specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. I would like to see the wildlife and the nesting areas explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan. I want the Park Service to support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Do the right thing and protect our wildlife. People don't have to drive on the beach to enjoy it. In fact, people driving on the beach interfere with pedestrians, families and nature lovers who are trying to enjoy the beach areas.

Correspondence ID: 5354 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This past weekend, many national parks and communities along our East Coast sustained damage from Hurricane Irene. North Carolina's Cape Hatteras National Seashore was no exception. We hope the families who live in and around the Outer Banks are safe and that recovery efforts can happen quickly. But while the park and its neighbors work to recover from the storm's immediate impact, we can make a difference in the long-term protection of Cape Hatteras!

As one of the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach habitat on the Atlantic coast, Cape Hatteras is a national treasure visited by millions of Americans. It is also home to nesting shore birds and sea turtles who are threatened by off-road vehicle (ORV) use along beaches. During these critical seasons, it is important to curb off-road vehicles to allow these species the space to grow and fledge.

Plummeting populations of protected wildlife species at Cape Hatteras are starting to recover thanks to increased management protections from the National Park Service (NPS). However, these protections are temporary while NPS prepares a final ORV management regulation. The regulation is nearly completed, but the current draft lacks the critical wildlife protections that have helped species like the piping plover and loggerhead sea turtle.

Take Action: NPS is now accepting public comments on the proposed regulation until September 6, 2011. Submit your comments today and ask NPS to add specific protections for wildlife and pedestrian visitors into the ORV regulation to ensure wildlife recovery continues and that the safety of all visitors is protected.

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Name: private
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Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the temporary plan.

But, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulations.

I urge you to reconsider the plan -as proposed- and to include these considerations. Thank You, Clayton Jones

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 5358 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I visit the OBX every year to watch birds and enjoy nature. It doesn't seem right that vehicles can drive on the beach destroying everything in their path.

Correspondence ID: 5359 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlifediversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-roadvehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the

threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

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All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID:	5360	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	People are extremely selfish, negligent and thoughtless. They do not think or consider the harm they are doing to our creatures.						

Correspondence ID:	5361	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

J. Kelly

Correspondence ID:	5364	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I took my family to Cape Hatteras National Seashore Park & there were trucks with NC plates driving at high rates of speed up & down the beach. Our feet were black from all the oil & exhaust fumes that those vehicles spray all over the sand. There is no VALID reason for people to drive on the beach like that.						

Correspondence ID:	5365	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off road vehicles should take a back seat to the indigenous wildlife of Cape hatters Seashore. It is absolutely ridiculous and irresponsible to even debate about tearing up and massively disturbing any of the last refuges for wildlife such as this one, for mere sport.						

Correspondence ID:	5366	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do what you can to protect nesting wildlife at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. A big part of that is preventing offroad vehicles from accessing beaches and other natural areas. they may be fun for a few people, but they are a noisy nuisance to the rest of us and are a great disturbance to wildlife, in addition to digging up otherwise natural areas.						

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5367 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 5368 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-Road Vehicles belong ion Public Roads, Never ever sensitive Environmental areas like Wildlife Sanctuary Breeding site Beaches like Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 5369 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLease protect these precious wild species.

Correspondence ID: 5370 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please continue to protect the wildlife from beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5371 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have lived and worked on the outer banks for many years. I am reTired age 76. I have seen the area decline and it simply must be protected in order to save what is left. I live in Texas but a big part of my heart will always remain in my native state and on the nc outer banks.

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Sincerely, Angela Martinez

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	When are we going to learn that we cannot indiscriminately kill wildlife without an effect on our environment?						

Correspondence ID:	5376	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.						

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Please protect the wildlife that are surviving along the land.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I took my family to Cape Hatteras National Seashore park & there were trucks with NC plates driving at high rates of speed up & down the beach. Our feet were black from all the oil that those vehicles spray all over the sand. There is no VALID reason for people to drive on the beach like that. The entire Seashore should be closed to vehicles, but that if vehicles continue to be permitted, then "specific, mandatory science-based wildlife protections" should be included in the regulation, including no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

Correspondence ID: 5378 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: NO cars or trucks on the beach!!!

you, we, all of us need to get off the car / oil habit.

Correspondence ID: 5379 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

The National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORVs on Cape Hatteras National Seashore is causing me great concern.

Under the present interim plan, wildlife has seen gains in the area especially for sea turtles and piping plovers. Sea turtle nests increased from 82 nests in 2007, to 153 in 2010. Other shorebirds are also rebounding. Allowing for the expansion of ORV use on the Seashore, will threaten and endanger the wildlife that has only recently increased.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore. Beach drivers should not be more favored than wildlife. The proposed plan currently only sets aside 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving, which negatively impacts nesting birds, turtles and other animals. More vehicle-free areas are actually needed for wildlife, as well as pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5380 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow any off road trucks, cars, or any thing that can harm the animals that depend on food, safety on the shore lines.

Thank you, Sincerely, Cheryl

Correspondence ID: 5381 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5382 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5383 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would like you to ban Off Road Vehicles, or three-wheelers, or four-wheelers, or whatever you want to call them from Cape Hatteras National Lakeshore.

I am speaking only as a citizen who has visited the area on vacation and left the beach because of the harassment of these vehicle users. I am an avid birdwatcher and nature lover and am distressed when others think nothing of destroying a beautiful place for a moment's thrill of speed. There must be other places that can be used or created for those who like the sport.

I believe National Parks, Monuments, and Lakeshores should be preserved for future generations. Permitting destructive uses do nothing to keep these national treasures, owned by all citizens, as they were when designated.

Please look to the future in your plans for Cape Hatteras. I would like my grandchildren to see it as I did.

Thanks you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5384 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving

buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specificen

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I think that it is important that areas that are important to endangered wildlife be protected from Off Road Vehicle traffic. The recent temporary measures have had a good effect on the sea turtles nesting. This type of measure is a success and should be continued.						
Correspondence ID:	5386	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	we should do all we can do to save what is left of species on our planet for our grandkids and there kids, this is all God work. We the people should do everthing we can to perserve what is left !! Ty Lucy,						
Correspondence ID:	5387	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please limit beach vehicle driving at Hatteras so as to protect wildlife such as the plover and sea turtles. These animals are easily killed and frightened away from nesting etc. if not enough areas are off limits to driving. Thank you for your attention.						
Correspondence ID:	5388	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						
	<p>I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.</p> <p>Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.</p> <p>I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.</p> <p>As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p>						
Correspondence ID:	5389	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do the right thing and protect the jewels of nature. Once they are gone, they're gone.						
Correspondence ID:	5390	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						

Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States.

My family have enjoyed these seashores on our visits and we are very aware of the fragile nature of these areas.

These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments. The use of ORVs in these areas is both unnecessary and against the idea of offering a close contact with nature.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work.

I understand that the Park service has, for the past several years, enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must at least designate both ORV routes and specific criteria for restrictions on the use of these vehicles. Thank you.

Correspondence ID:	5391	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5392	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing Off Road Vehicle (ORV) use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Current regulations have allowed protected wildlife to flourish on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife will be seriously at risk.

It is unthinkable that the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife and pedestrians. In 1916 the Presidential mandate specified the National Park Service "to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and wildlife therein, and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." By encouraging and expanding ORV use, you are allowing a very small percentage of

the visitors to the Cape Hatteras National Seashore to impair and irreparably damage both the wildlife and the scenery you are directed to protect! You will fail the agency's mission and future generations of Americans.

It is not too late. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. This needs to change. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Christine Nuttall

Correspondence ID:	5393	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	as we have recently seen with irene, our coastal and inland territories are being threatened by nature, and also man. how many species have become extinct and will become extinct because of what we have done to this planet. global warming or rather climate change is destroying our planet, and i am horrified, no one wants to change this. it's just let's make all the money we can, the hell with the planet, it's people and the creatures. we need to stop being so selfish. we need to save this planet.						
Correspondence ID:	5394	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As a native and lifetime resident of North Carolina I urge you to be even more stringent in protecting our Cape Hatter Seashore from off road driving. It should be kept to a bare minimum to protect not only wildlife, but those who enjoy the beaches and serenity. Please do the right thing!						
Correspondence ID:	5395	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The beaches of Cape Hatteras National Seashore should be protected from off road vehicles which have proven devastating to birds and animals nesting and living on the beaches. Please keep the prohibition in place - there are other areas not in the park, where the off road vehicles can operate. Our national park areas were established to protect and preserve those special areas for future generations .. not for us to destroy. Please do not open up those areas to off road vehicles. Thank you.						
Correspondence ID:	5396	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras is a national treasure and should be protected as such.						
Correspondence ID:	5397	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Having been an offroad driver for over 65 years with a jeep, I have experience with the damage that can be affected by irresponsible drivers. Please create regulations and restrictions that will protect the integrity of our beaches and forests. I believe that some areas can only be protected by a paid license which, as part of the at license, you agree to be responsible monetarily for any damage that you inflict.						
Correspondence ID:	5398	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please keep off-road vehicles on areas where sea turtles and other animals are threatened.						
Correspondence ID:	5399	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and						

increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. Wildlife protections work: for the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan. The Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. To remedy this, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation. Also, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas: the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. Thank you for considering my comments

Correspondence ID: 5400 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect our wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5401 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

Please continue to enforce these regulations.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5402 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5403 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Thank you very much for helping to protect one of the Atlantic's last wild seashores! Sea turtles, nesting shorebirds, and future generations of Americans will be grateful for your action.

Sincerely,

Brad Bornstein

Correspondence ID: 5404 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5405 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please make a law against driving on the beach. We need to protect the innocent birds, turtles and other sea life from these barbaric uncaring drivers!

Correspondence ID: 5406 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support regulation of ORVs at Cape Hatteras Natinoal Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which I find unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5407 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

A. von Dallwitz

Correspondence ID:	5408	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.						

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Correspondence ID:	5409	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Honestly, how much more wildlife habitat are we going to destroy out of greed and stupidity?!						

Correspondence ID:	5410	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.						

Correspondence ID: 5411 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

Please safeguard the endangered seabirds, and protect the beach for vehicle use.

Correspondence ID: 5412 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

Please reconsider the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5413 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom it May Concern,

When considering the new rules for beach driving at Cape Hatteras, it is my sincere wish that you strongly consider things in the proper perspective: recreation vs. conservation.

Shorebirds, sea turtles and other beach wildlife NEED a living space that is safe and peaceful...nobody NEEDS to drive up and down the beaches. That's why God gave them feet...go for a stroll, not a drive; you might see some really special things for a change (besides your steering wheel).

Correspondence ID: 5414 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based

protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Correspondence ID: 5415 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5416 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Park Service

Dear Park Service, In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. Please continue to limit ORV use near protected wildlife nest areas. Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 5417 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose unrestricted off road use and the danger it poses to wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5418 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I think it is a shame that people treat animals like they are not important! The animals were here first and we should respect their habitat if we don't the world will be off balance. Every animal is here for a reason.

Correspondence ID: 5419 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a bird watcher and a very committed environmentalist. I am very much opposed to off-road vehicle use in beach areas which are used by turtles and breeding birds. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Sincerely, Dr. Lynne Breakstone

Correspondence ID: 5420 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration

Correspondence ID: 5422 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I think they should boycott ORV's from the shoreline, and legislation should protect endangered species, and all animals from these gas-guzzling monsters. I vouch for Cape Hatteras National Shoreline to be vehicle free!

Correspondence ID: 5423 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife protection that is optional, is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5424 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

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Correspondence ID: 5425 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicle drivers are a small portion of those who visit Cape Hatteras National Seashore each year, but they are among the most vocal. In order to speak up for all of the piping plovers, sea turtles, sea and shore birds and all of the other wildlife that relies on this region. This needs to stop!!

Correspondence ID: 5426 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop vehicles. Protect wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5427 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Really? Please protect our natural wildlife on the Seashores. When I go to the shore, I don't want to see these vehicles there, I don't want to see their tracks and I sure don't want to see dead wildlife. There are places for these rec. vehicles and that's where they need to stay or designate a place for them where animals are not in danger. thank you for doing your job to protect our country and taking care of all living creatures.

Correspondence ID: 5428 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow motorized vehicles to destroy natural and wildlife areas.

Correspondence ID: 5429 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure. Unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Please put an end to it.

Correspondence ID: 5430 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean are significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America. Such experiences are necessary for truly human existence.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving

buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

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Correspondence ID: 5431 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am extremely concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. We are bird watchers and often choose our vacation destinations based on the quality of wildlife and protection of the environment in an area.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. This is really commendable! If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. I ask you revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5432 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Correspondence ID: 5433 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Vehicles do not belong on beaches. Any creature has the right to make it's home where nature has wired it's brain to do so and not to be terrified, invaded and killed by human beings who are the most disrespectful species of all others on the planet. The earth belongs to flora and fauna as much as it does to us.

Correspondence ID: 5434 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect wildlife--no more off road vehicles allowed in Cape Hatteras National Seashore!

Correspondence ID: 5435 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: With thousands of roads for motorized vehicles in this country it is hard for many of us to understand why areas cherished by those who wish to find quiet and peaceful places and areas where the wild life of our country can still find food and breeding grounds should be invaded by off road motorized vehicles. Please remember that there are needs other than those of people who wish to drive motorized vehicles. Our National parks were, I believed, were set aside to protect the national treasures provided by nature. I think it should be your duty to protect this.

Correspondence ID: 5436 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Ban all off road vehicles in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore National Park

Correspondence ID: 5437 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is very hard for me to understand why recreation should take precedence over affected wildlife, or even why people enjoy destructive activities without care or responsibility about what they are doing. It is too bad we have regulate their activities, and they will yell about their freedom to destroy, but in the larger sense, it is essential to perserve the creatures, and other forms of life that share our planet.

Correspondence ID: 5438 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The regulations do not do enough to protect wildlife and ensure they have safe areas for reproduction. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5439 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have enjoyed off-roading at Cape Hatteras National Seashore, but I feel strongly that wildlife there must be adequately protected. Please see the attached file for my full comments.

I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. As someone who has often visited the Cape Hatteras National Seashore and has enjoyed both the vehicle free and ORV designated areas, I feel strongly that the interests of both groups should be protected. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5440 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Giving more land for free-for-all ORV driving on a national seashore than for wild birds to nest is just plain crazy. Why was the land set aside as a nation seashore in the first place? because of the ORV's or because of the natural beauty and all the other components of a place in its natural state?

Correspondence ID: 5441 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5442 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save the animals!!!! Stop off road vehicles!!!

Correspondence ID: 5443 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: If we have become to lazy to take a walk on the beach, perhaps it's time for us to stay off the beach altogether. I see no reason that anyone besides emergency services would require a vehicle on the beach. People go to the beach to relax and enjoy nature at its best. The danger, pollution and noise of a vehicle only spoils this pristine space. Please eliminate vehicles from all beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5444 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ORV's should be prohibited from the national seashore altogether. They are destructive from both a physical and ecological standpoint. Unless there is an emergency need for such vehicles on national seashore lands, i.e. lifesaving purposes, they should be banned.

Correspondence ID: 5445 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: National parks and shorelines are places to preserve the natural environment for the enjoyment of present and future generations. There is no way to preserve an area and have off road vehicles. I have owned and operated off road vehicles for several decades now. But I would never expect to be allowed to operate my vehicle in a sensitive area. The sharing of space with hikers and wildlife is dangerous and annoying for all concerned.

In my experience many off roaders do not posses the sensitivity to be trusted to follow restriction or do the right thing. Many get carried away with the excitement of the moment and even in the best circumstances make poor decisions.

The noise alone should be enough to exclude ORV from sensitive areas.

I strongly oppose the inclusion of ORV on our National Shorelines.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please prevent off roaders from killing wildlife						

Correspondence ID:	5448	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name:	private						
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife can't speak or itself or bargain with tourists and visitors. They must be protected by people who see their vulnerability to human encroachment. On beach driving should be limited to protect the species that protection from the tires of heavy vehicles. Thanks, Judith Ferster

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the birds, turtles, and other life along the cost. Once they are gone, they're gone.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. There aren't many places where wildlife can be undisturbed and this should be one of them.

Thanks!

Correspondence ID: 5459 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I absolutely oppose this rule.

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Name: private
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Correspondence: This has been a serious issue for a long time, environmentally - please act now.

Correspondence ID: 5462 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We have roads for a reason!

Correspondence ID: 5463 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep off-road vehicles off the beaches and dunes!

Correspondence ID: 5465 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose off-road vehicle use that threatens shorebirds, sea turtles, and other wildlife. Threatened species like piping

plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off-road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. The current proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. This seems grossly unfair to species that need protection.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Protect Animals!						

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please limit the use of off-road vehicles such that their use does not impact shorebirds and sea turtles on Cape Hatteras. Small wildlife should never have to compete with motorized vehicles and/or dogs. Leave the beaches to them in their breeding and nesting seasons. And allow them plenty of space to live and feed in other seasons.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect nesting areas from all activity. These animals need a chance and with protection they could get it. Beach drivers can drive on the rest of the beaches, but these animals that build their nests on those beaches can't protect themselves from beach drivers, hence the reason for closing off those area during nesting timeframes.

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please severely limit off-road-vehicles at Cape Hatteras. ORV's are not an endangered species. The birds and turtles who need these beaches are. Mrs. Webster

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

There are plenty of other places for off-road vehicles that do not require the sacrifice of what is left of a threatened species.

Extinction is forever. Please set limits with an eye to protecting the most vulnerable--even if it means that some people might have to go somewhere else to engage in their pastimes.

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I can never understand how allowing the use of loud, destructive equipment to aid those who are too lazy to walk can be in the public interest, especially in an environment as fragile as this.

I thought the whole idea of a federally protected area was to protect it. While it's important to allow Americans to use their national treasures for recreation, I can't see how unrestricted ORV use is a necessary condition to allow that to take place.

ORV users may have a great lobby, but they have been anathema to promoting the welfare either of the lands they tear up or of others who want to enjoy a recreation area in a more quiet, less destructive way.

Thanks for listening. Kip Kramer

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Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to each driving. I urge you to support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5484 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5485 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year. Its natural beauty, its wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline are breathtaking.

However, the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. If off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and off springs could be disturbed.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Correspondence ID: 5486 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop off-road vehicles from ruining our beautiful ocean shores. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5487 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: So little of the natural environment is left. These areas should be off limit to any type of recreational vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 5488 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop putting vehicals on our beaches!! It is not helping the ecosystem by killing birds.

Correspondence ID: 5489 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep vehicles off the beach. It's not just the wildlife that's at risk from vehicles, it's also the other people trying to enjoy the tranquility of a rare, non-vehicle area.

Correspondence ID: 5490 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Leave the land alone. Haven't we destroyed enough of the earth already. When are we going to start appreciating what we have left.

Correspondence ID: 5491 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please add provisions to your incomplete draft....add provisions to protect wildlife and pedestrians; so that pedestrians do not disturb wildlife. (so pedestrians can enjoy the wildlife but not disturb them).Please protect the wildlife; such as sandy plovers and loggerhead turtles.

Correspondence ID: 5492 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop vehicles from endangering wildlife at beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5493 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific

Correspondence ID: 5494 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow offroading in Cape Hatteras National Seashore

Correspondence ID: 5495 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I can't understand how this kind of noise, pollution, and general disruption of the environment and peace of an area can be even considered, much less justified. Cannot call yourselves park caretakers if this is allowed.

Correspondence ID: 5497 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Please be sure to include these protections to afford safety for the wildlife and visitors.

Correspondence ID: 5498 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep the wildlife safe from certain dangers.

Correspondence ID: 5499 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Alessandro Barbato

Correspondence ID:	5502	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers will decline. DO SOMETHING.						

Correspondence ID:	5503	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Sir/Madame,						

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Correspondence ID:	5504	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	we have seen what irene and other natural disasters can do to our environment. as the weeks unfold the true devastation will be shown. human destruction of the environment is also catastrophic. we must stop it. it seems there are many who do not care about the environment or it's people. greedy corporate, selfish, destructive, people are killing all that god gave us. we must protect this planet. with climate changes and political and economic changes, we are spiralling out of control. we must protect this planet. or we will die.						

Correspondence ID:	5505	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened and endangered species need to be protected from people and vehicles. Its important to stand up for birds breeding grounds. Please help do your part.

Correspondence ID: 5506 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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I am not opposed to ORV use, but I do not think that ORV use should be permitted in over half the land area of a National Park/Seashore/Monument. Please try to keep the National Park experience as natural as possible. Thank you for considering my coments.

Correspondence ID: 5507 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a resident of North Carolina, I love the Outer Banks, but hate the fact that ORV's can wreak havoc on the beaches' fragile ecosystem. Please regulate ORV's on our National Seashores!

Sincerely, Keval Kaur Khalsa

Correspondence ID: 5508 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5509 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration!

Correspondence ID: 5510 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: i vote no on off road vehicles in this area.

Correspondence ID: 5511 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please add precautions for animals cross the road.

Correspondence ID: 5512 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It's time to stand up for what's right, including protecting the environment and wild animals and birds. Motorizes vehicles have no place in wild lands. Period. Do not allow ORV's on these precious areas.

Correspondence ID: 5513 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

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Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for your time!

Correspondence ID: 5514 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No off road vehicles allowed...no exceptions...PLEASE PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FOR WILDLIFE...this is not an amusement park...no rides...no off road vehicles...no no

Correspondence ID: 5515 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on proposed regulations for Off Road vehicles by the National Parks Service regarding Cape Hatteras National Seashore. It is amazing to me why off road vehicles would be allowed on a national seashore like Cape Hatteras. Pedestrians and wildlife need to be protected from these vehicles. Please do not allow these types of vehicles to endanger pedestrians and wildlife on this beautiful beach. Regualtions must be put in place that keep our national seashore of Cape Hatteras from becoming another traffic jam!

Thank you,

Correspondence ID: 5516 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence ID: 5518 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I don't believe the legislation in its current form goes far enough to protect wildlife on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. ORV use needs to be restricted more, so that wildlife (and pedestrians) are not at risk.

Correspondence ID: 5519 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The use of vehicles in these areas infringes upon the rights of others. If it is a public area then we all deserve to enjoy it and that isn't possible when animals are being killed. The motorized vehicles need to find a place that does not harm others. All are welcome to come if they just respect others by not KILLING living things !

Correspondence ID: 5520 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I think these protected areas should be off-limits to motorized vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 5521 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at Cape Hatteras National Seashore, but the Park Service plan seems to favor the ORVs over wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. This leaves a woefully small portion protected from vehicles. Both wildlife and pedestrians should have a much larger share of this space than vehicles do.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. The health of this ecosystem is integral, and increases its appeal to visitors. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like endangered piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5523 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a long-time annual visitor to the Outer Banks, I am extremely concerned about the prospect of decreased protection for nesting wildlife areas in Cape Hatteras National Seashore in favor of off-road vehicle users.

Those riders have been given plenty of territory already, while the shore birds and sea turtles who reproduce in the area need undisturbed room for their nests. The protection given to them during the last several years has allowed their decreasing numbers to bounce back. It would be a travesty to revoke that protection now.

ORV riders may wish to drive unfettered throughout the National Seashore but that doesn't mean they should be permitted to do so. Other creatures desire only to live, and I believe they should be accorded that right.

Please consider also that other Seashore visitors such as myself who come to see wildlife and would also be driven off by the presence of noisy, exhaust-spewing ORVS.

Thanks you for considering my views.

Correspondence ID: 5524 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5525 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are many places to use off road vehicles that do not endanger important wildlife. Keep them away from nesting shore birds!!

Correspondence ID: 5526 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I feel that this should not be approved. People are careless and they will not care if they run over the animals. People just do not care. I feel that this would be disasterous to the Cape Seashore and it's animals.

Please do not let this proposed regulation get passed.

Correspondence ID: 5527 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please don't allow off-road vehicles on any National Seashore. Those people can buy their own land to tear up.

Correspondence ID: 5528 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5529 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. People are slowly killing our wildlife when it could be prevented.

Correspondence ID: 5530 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife is a precious resource that is being lost at alarming rates as a result of human activity. Some of these activities are harder to restrict than others but limiting vehicles on beaches is a simple way to prevent deaths and endangerment of these animals which we must make an effort to preserve.

Please monitor and restrict these off road vehicles for the sake of the wildlife and its future.

Correspondence ID: 5531 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I will never forget my visit to the Outer Banks as a young teen. The beaches were absolutely beautiful, and my sister, I , and a friend saw a line of dolphins swimming by - my first time seeing these animals in the wild. There were also lizards and turtles and crabs - all new to me. It would be a great shame if this unspoiled place were damaged by off-road vehicles. Please protect Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5532 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep off-road vehicles off Cape Hatteras Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5533 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I want to express my support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting of endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5534 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, undeveloped beach on the U.S. eastern seacoast. They not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife but represent the last places where Americans can visit wild beach environments.

ORV use has been shown to impair park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. Wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

The Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specify enforceable, science-based

protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

The regulation as written does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. It prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users.

Thank you for considering my opinions.

Correspondence ID: 5535 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife is being threatened at every level. Please make the seaside safe for nesting birds. Vehicles have alloted spaces to use. Allow the birds a space to raise their young.

Correspondence ID: 5536 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-road vehicles: soil erosion, air pollution, noise pollution, and now endangering wildlife nesting areas! What's not to like?

Off-road vehicles are annoying to people, and severely limit the enjoyment of nature, but they are life-threatening to nesting creatures.

Please do NOT permit off-road vehicles to use nearly half of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, as currently proposed.

Correspondence ID: 5537 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5538 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Jez people truly just don't care about anything but their own pleasure.

Correspondence ID: 5539 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please save this majestic park

Correspondence ID: 5540 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: All wildlife must be protected from danger or death from off-road vehicles. These vehicles have no place there. Even human life can be endangered by off-roading. Please stop this now.

Correspondence ID: 5541 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5542 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I want to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Seven national seashores on Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on eastern seacoast of the US. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, & endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments to evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America. ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access & increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, increased wildlife mortality & dwindling populations. However, wildlife protections work. For years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating/wintering shorebirds. Under the temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, threatened/endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, prior to the plan. However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers & other successful wildlife protections in its proposal. The Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation. Additionally, the regulation doesn't set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. The regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. Thanks for listening..

Correspondence ID: 5543 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: people do not need to drive on the beach to enjoy the ocean. Let mother nature have her habitat back In my opinion all of hatteras island ought to be a wildlife sanctuary and off limits to humans.....period...we destroy everything we can for the sake of our own selfish egos. enough is enough..stacey

Correspondence ID: 5544 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As someone who vacations in the Cape Hatteras area, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Anne Denbow

Correspondence ID: 5545 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLEASE HELP THESE ANIMALS. IT IS THE LEAST WE CAN DO FOR THEM!!

Correspondence ID: 5546 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Lets get the plan correct and give some teeth to enforcement and better educating the public and user groups. Have as may stakeholders buy into the plan and penalize only as needed those that will not comply with what is best for the species and natural spaces involved. Well enforced paramaters for the ORV users combined with education and adequate spaces for them to use will help enforcement.

Correspondence ID: 5547 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep noisy rv's off of Cape Hatteras

Correspondence ID: 5548 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: STOP USING MONKEYS OR ANY OTHER ANIMAL FOR YOUR SENSELESS AND ABOMINABLE EXPERIMENTS AND TEST!!

Correspondence ID: 5549 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: National Seashores are no place for off-road vehicles, period. Any use that diminishes other uses must n ot be allowed.

Correspondence ID: 5550 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Policy clearly should greatly favor non-motorized use, while providing reasonable access to disabled people. Off road vehicles add fuel use, noise, pollution, and danger of collision to wildlife and humans. They're inconsistent with traditional outdoor recreation and values.

Correspondence ID: 5551 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea

turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

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Thank you for your time, Tricia Rizzi

Correspondence ID: 5552 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Correspondence ID: 5553 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect wildlife above human entertainment. It is the least we can do.

Correspondence ID: 5554 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan needs to set aside for land for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Correspondence ID: 5555 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: we must protect what we have left (we destroyed way too much already).. i would hate to think our political officials allowed for their further endangerment/extinction.. if they can do something now - they must.

Correspondence ID: 5557 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow off road vehicles on our national seashore. These beautiful birds will be killed by the irresponsible drivers on beaches. The birds were there before people and need their space to survive. People with ATVS tear up the landscape and now if allowed will kill these precious birds.

Correspondence ID: 5558 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5559 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Prohibit off road vehicles from all of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5560 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow unrestricted offroad vehicles at the Cape Hatteras shoreline. We need to protect the shore birds and turtle nesting places so they don't become extinct.

Correspondence ID: 5561 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop offroad vehicles from killing the birds that nest on the beaches of Cape Hatteras National Seashore. These birds have a hard time nesting successfully, with storms that flood their nests and loss of habitat here and in the areas they migrate to. Allowing vehicles to run over their nests takes away their remaining chances to propagate their species. Most of them just make a scrape in the sand for their eggs and they rely on camouflage for protection. It is almost impossible to see the nests, especially from a fast moving vehicle.

Correspondence ID: 5562 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I am most concerned and thus am commenting on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Please keep off-road vehicle off of the beaches of Cape Hatteras and other National Seashores. These areas are environmentally sensitive, especially for nesting shorebirds, sea turtles and for the native plants that help to anchor shorelines and stabilize beaches. Off-road vehicles are a problem for wildlife in many of our national parks and beaches because their use causes so much degradation of environmental conditions, soil structure and and directly threatens the lives of wildlife of animals and plants necessary to keep these areas as complete and healthy ecosystems.

Correspondence ID: 5564 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

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Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Correspondence ID: 5565 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting on Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 5566 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep off-road vehicles off the beach! They have no business on a national seashore. Cape Hatteras is environmentally sensitive and deserves to be protected--not ruined.

Correspondence ID: 5567 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am, and have always been, a supporter of public parks on the local, state, and federal levels. I love my National Parks system, and I want to maintain it. Please ensure the protection of habitats for wild species living in all parks, but especially now, after Hurricane Irene, ensure that all east coast parks get the attention they need.

Correspondence ID: 5569 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep vehicles and other forms of transportation from disturbing the wild habitat of turtles, birds and many other sea creatures.

Correspondence ID: 5570 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this

plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

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It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. However, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

The Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. The Park Service FALLS SHORT OF ITS OBLIGATIONS under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." The Park Service MUST designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

The regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

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Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations."

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Correspondence ID: 5578 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: The untouched and natural environment of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore should remain so for generations to come. It is a national treasure and should remain as such. Once we destroy the natural beauty of an area, it can never be replaced. We need to maintain the natural balance. It is the home to many wildlife. The protection of this area is necessary for the survival of sea turtles and the nesting sites for many sea birds. We also need to stop off road vehicles from devastating any more of the environment than necessary.

Correspondence ID: 5579 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

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Correspondence: Save lives!

Correspondence ID: 5580 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

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Thank you for your consideration.

Casey Weinstein

Correspondence ID: 5581 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: SHAME ON ALL THOSE POLITICAL OFFICIALS WHO NEGLECT THE NEED TO PROTECT OUR WILDLIFE AND NATURE

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Thank you for your consideration and the opportunity to comment.

Correspondence ID: 5583 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. We do not need vehicles of any sort in these areas, killing animals and polluting the environment!

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The 7 national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast. These places not only protect habitats for endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of No.America.

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Correspondence ID: 5586 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

The National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore have me very concerned.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be severely impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore. However, too much consideration is given to ORVs and not enough to all others. Much larger vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I Thank you for your consideration.

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Correspondence: I applaud your proposal to add restrictions or recreational ORV use in the park (CAHA), but think the restrictions fall far short of adequately protecting the wildlife wild nature of the park. My personal preference is to err on the side of wildlife protection and wilderness values by banning all use of recreational ORV use in the park. At a minimum I urge you to consider implementing specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5589 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please act now to protect out precious natural world.

Which is more important, a beautiful sea turtle or a careless drive on the beach?

Correspondence ID: 5590 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Allowing uncontrolled off road access on beaches, dunes and around the sands is allowing destruction of not only sensitive areas for wildlife but making it dangerous to be around for the people who want to use it.

Correspondence ID: 5591 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep off road traffic out of our parks & off our seashores

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: i am writing to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle usage on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore. ORV could take a huge toll on the fragile existence of nesting seashore birds and sea turtles. Many of these species are already endangered or threatened and must receive protections not exposed to additional threats. Nesting sites should and must be vehicle free for the chicks to survive.

I hope that the Park system will vote in favor of its wildlife and oppose the use of ORV.

Sincerely, Mary Ting

Correspondence ID: 5595 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: While I understand that off-road vehicles desire full use of the Hatteras seashore area, we must improve the ways that we share natural resources with the animals who live among us.

I strongly oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. These vehicles are also noisy and pollute the local environment. It's time to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore including specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers and to place far more than 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach under these protections.

I write to ask that specific, enforceable, science-based protections be written and implemented for the area's wildlife and to create additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5596 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I've never been to Cape Hatteras, but from what I know, off road vehicles should not be allowed to destroy the beauty and natural elements of that area.

The habitat needs to remain a habitat.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5598 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I wish people would be more thoughtful of their actions and the future of these poor little animals depends on it!

Correspondence ID: 5599 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5600 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be permitted on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5601 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: DATE: August 30, 2011 SUBJECT: Comments on the proposed rule "Special Regulations, Areas of National Park System, Cape Hatteras National Seashore"(Regulation Identifier Number 1024-AD85) Comments: When Alternative F is applied to the final regulation, I ask that a balance be achieved in what can be an understanding sensitive to both the environmentalist and pedestrians/ORV's. I understand certain regulations and steps must be achieved and addressed in order to preserve the CHNS for future generations. However, I feel that many of the environmental groups take their agendas to the extreme. I just ask for a fair, reasonable alternative be found.

ORV Permits, If permits must be instituted then I ask that they be of reasonable cost so that the average beach goer can still afford them. As a 12x a year visitor, I would make use of my permit. However, a large majority of tourist dollars pumped into their economy are one week vacationers and having an unreasonable price would exclude many. Also, I feel a reasonable price would appeal to more beach goers and NPS would make more money selling fair priced permits to many as opposed to selling outrageously priced ones to far fewer individuals.

ORV Routes, I'm ok with a section that must be closed due to nesting. However, I feel that Vehicle Free Areas should not be permanently designated areas and only instituted when found necessary by the Superintendent. Also, if new ramps must be build such as 2.5, 32.5, 47.5 and 59.5, then I ask that each original ramp remain open until the new one is complete. Perhaps, have a time line and only switch over these ramps one at a time so that the funds can be prepared and completion can be made before moving on to the next ramp.

Night Driving Restrictions, Instead of having shorter hours, maybe institute a slower speed limit for early and late hours.

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments. I believe a fair and reasonable plan can be achieved for all parties.

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Correspondence: As someone who has been to Hatteras many times over the past 40 years, I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

I have sat on the beaches of both Virginia and North Carolina and have watched them change over the years. I'm not speaking of the tourist beaches - I refer to that strip of wilderness from Backbay National Wildlife Refuge that straddles both states down to Cape Fear below Hatteras. Unbelievably, I have sat on the beaches when there was no other human being in sight as far up and down the beach as I could see. What a thrill!...only me and the rich life forms that inhabit such places. And all I heard was the squawking and calling of the gulls and the roar of the surf. My heart sinks at the prospect of not being able to hear those sounds over the roar of ORV engines and the long stretches of wonderfully empty sand filled with shallow people, their noise, and their trash.

With the ORV's come death and destruction for the environment - both the wildlife and their habitat suffer. Please consider these things when you make your decision about this national seashore.

Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations."

Correspondence ID: 5604 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Your proposed regulations do not do nearly enough to protect wildlife from irresponsible use of ORV's. Please reconsider that.

Correspondence ID: 5605 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

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However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5607 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please add specific protections for wildlife and pedestrian visitors into the ORV regulation to ensure wildlife recovery continues and that the safety of all visitors is protected

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have relatives in Virginia and North Carolina, and I have visited the gorgeous Cape Hatteras National Seashore. After the recent hurricane damage, it is unthinkable that you would consider allowing these vehicles anywhere near the Cape. This is possibly one of the stupidest ideas I've heard in quite some time; have you seen what an ORV does to the landscape? In Colorado, we are quite familiar with the destruction wrought by these polluting vehicles. I hope you will reconsider.

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However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act. To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation.

Correspondence ID: 5610 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please provide the local animals at Cape Hatteras National Seashore some vehicle-free areas to protect their breeding grounds. There are plenty of other places off-road vehicles can use. The animals are important and we need to be their stewards. Thank you.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In this day of quick fixes for temporary appeasement, it is affecting how we take care of our world. Especially here at home. We can not continue on this path to destruction to satisfy a few. The wildlife in our country and the world desere a respite from our never-ending encroachment. The wild life in this world are clinging on with all thier might to survive in a world that was meant for them as well as people. At a staggering 7 billion population of people, we need to value the need for wild places and the beauty that nature provides, as well as the sanity of "getting away" needs to be valued as much as we value the other parts of our life. Not everything that is beautiful or keeps us healthy has a price tag on it. Nor should it.

Correspondence ID: 5613 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I live in the Midwest and have seen the devastation and destruction that ORV's do to wildlife and the environment. I urge you to please reconsider allowing ORV's any where near a fragile environment unless you are interested in seeing how badly and quickly our natural environs can be destroyed.

Correspondence ID: 5614 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

I speak out for wildlife to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

After years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.						
Correspondence ID:	5616	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The National Park Service is about to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.						
	<p>The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving!!!! This is wholly inadequate.</p> <p>In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.</p> <p>In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. Why are you backing off from the successes to the temporary plan. Make it stronger, not weaker, please.</p> <p>I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.</p> <p>Please rework the proposed Cape Hatteras National Seashore regulations for beach driving to give maximal protection of wildlife and preferential status to non-motorized traffic. ORVs have no place in a sensitive environment.</p> <p>Thank you for your attention to this matter. God bless.</p>						
Correspondence ID:	5617	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please protect wildlife and environments from plundering by offroad vehicles. Sea turtles, shorebirds, and other wildlife are threatened by your lack of action on this.						
Correspondence ID:	5618	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As a voting citizen I am displeased with federal agencies satisfying those groups who wish to use wilderness spaces and fragile ecosystems for noisy and exploitive recreation: hunting, snow mobiles, ORVs, motor boats. Will there be no place in the USA that ordinary citizens can visit for quiet, compleplative peace? Please draw strict guidelines on public use that square with scientific research by reputable, rather than industry-paid research groupsProtect wildlife and its habitat.						
Correspondence ID:	5619	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Keep the Cape beautiful and keep it for nature and people, not four wheel drive vehicles.						
Correspondence ID:	5620	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Regulating ORV use in areas of wildlife habitat is only common sense!						
Correspondence ID:	5621	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Aren't there enough public roads for traffic without adding Cape Hatteras seashore? Please do not allow ORV on Cape hatteras seashore. I would like to visit sometime and I don't want to see birds or other wildlife that has been run over.I see enough of it on public roads. Thank you, Laura Adams

Correspondence ID: 5623 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulations for off-road vehicles should take into consideration the nesting habits and needs of sea turtles, shore birds and other endangered and threatened species that depend on this land for survival. These vehicles are destroying this beautiful and scenic shoreline, and should be allowed only in very restricted areas which are not critical nesting habitat.

The proposal should include specific measures to protect wildlife from vehicles. i support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5624 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas from beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Mankind's recreation shouldn't be allowed to endanger life. Please protect our wildlife, it is uniquely ours - a national treasure.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop off road vehicles from overrunning the beaches at Cape Hatteras. Off road vehicles cause so much damage to the environment through both air & noise pollution & endangering wildlife that make the beaches their home. People go to the beach to get away from the sounds of the cities & relax. How can one maintain a calm, relaxed atmosphere with the buzzing drone of off road vehicle engines spoiling the serene quietude of the beach?

Correspondence ID: 5627 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please don't ruin the national parks.

Correspondence ID: 5628 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect birds, turtles, and other wildlife who live near the Cape Hatteras National Seashore by restricting the use of off road vehicles. Thanks.

Correspondence ID: 5629 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: When will we learn to protect these areas, this is the only planet we have. We need these areas and don't need to have ATV racing through them. The damage these vehicles can do to the habitat and ruining the enjoyment of these areas for others. Please do all you can to protect these precious areas. Thank you

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Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

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Correspondence: As one of the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach habitat on the Atlantic coast, Cape Hatteras is a national treasure visited by millions of Americans. It is also home to nesting shore birds and sea turtles who are threatened by off-road vehicle (ORV) use along beaches. During these critical seasons, it is important to curb off-road vehicles to allow these species the space to grow and fledge.

Plummeting populations of protected wildlife species at Cape Hatteras are starting to recover thanks to increased management protections from the National Park Service (NPS). Please add specific protections for wildlife and pedestrian visitors into the final ORV management regulation to ensure wildlife recovery continues and that the safety of all visitors is protected.

Correspondence ID: 5632 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please limit off road vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5633 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do more to protect wildlife nesting areas from beach drivers, beyond the 26 of 27 miles of beach. The temporary plan limiting ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife, resulting in increased nests on the shore. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline, with one wrong step by a piping plover or other vehicle.

Great progress has been made in winning important protections for Hatteras wildlife and we must not lose traction now. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5634 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulations should remain intact to protect these wetlands.

Correspondence ID: 5635 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Why not take the measures necessary to protect wildlife in this area? The benefits outweigh the costs.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting; I do not think the entire seashore should be open to beach driving.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. I think much more beach should be protected for nesting birds and marine life. It seems like wildlife isn't given a thought even though the species nesting on the beach have been doing so long before humans created cars.

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Correspondence ID: 5638 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: This isn't necessary- there are plenty of other places people can race around in offload vehicles that won't threaten animals and ruin the experiences of everyone else who wants to enjoy the peace of this beautiful shore, instead of the reek of fuel spilling out of loud engines. Keep the ATVs out of the park.

Correspondence ID: 5639 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This proposal is simply another unnecessary avenue to provide yet another superfluous source of human entertainment at the cost of fragile animal life. Also, it will cause damage to the environment as a whole. Common sense should rule here and not greed and feckless disdain for lives other than our own.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
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Correspondence: Dear National Park System of Cape Hatteras: I know several birds live in the beaches on ocean waters all up the East Coast and the nest very close to the water's edge. This is their refuge from bad elements of weather and try to survive during the most dangerous mix we call ocean waters. They have just as much right to their home as you do to yours and to be inconvenienced is a mild expression that I have heard amongst beach goers. It' goes deeper than that. How would you like a nuclear power plant waste facility next to your house without knowing it just simply placed there. Think what you contribute to the assault everyday on your own environment do you think these storms and hurricanes and tornados and heat waves are just luck! Think again! Do you think that no corn in the west and no wheat as well and poor quality of maple syrup due to a fungus on maple tree's is just an accident?? Think again! Human beings are responsible for their own demise the longer they hold on to old ways of heating homes the more outrageous our weather pattern and healthy or non healthy way of life will be ours and our children's and their children's. Sincerely, judy wisboro

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Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Cheryl Fergeson

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: One of the many reasons citizens go to parks is to enjoy the native wildlife. Wildlife must be protected. Regulations assuring the safety of wildlife should be a major priority for government officials!

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect sea turtles, shore birds and other wildlife!!

Correspondence ID: 5649 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please save wildlife from disappearing. This can be your best legacy to future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5650 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No offroad vehicles on shorelines. These are fragile ecosystems and places of beauty.

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Additionally, the regulation does not set aside adequate vehicle-free areas. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year-round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of seashore beach. This does not represent a fair balance for other users and wildlife. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments and for your hard work and dedication.

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Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage.

Correspondence ID: 5653 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Yet the proposed regulation for allowing vehicles to drive on Cape Hatteras Beach does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

There are many places to drive. Cape Hatteras does not seem to be a necessary one.

Correspondence ID: 5654 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please protect these areas from Off Road Vehicles!!

Correspondence ID: 5655 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best wild beach environments.

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Thank you for your consideration, Molly Monroe

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Protect our wildlife from the invasive auto types riding everywhere with no regard for any wildlife except their own selfish pleasures!! When the wildlife goes we will not be far behind!!						

Correspondence ID:	5658	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
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Sincerely,

Donald Miller

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I think it's imperative to protect our wild life...all are part of our integral echo system so I say no to recreational vehicles and the chaos they cause,we can find other pastimes. Thank you, Edna Jamati						

Correspondence ID:	5660	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
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Thank you,

Robert Ryan

Correspondence ID: 5661 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Offroad vehicle use has proven a disaster to wildlife, plants and the general terrain that is utilized. Although it may be desirable recreation for some, the devastation that results is irreversible for many years if not indefinitely. We believe that it must not be permitted in sensitive areas and strictly regulated where allowed.

Correspondence ID: 5662 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I don't believe that unrestricted Off Road Vehicle use would be good idea on any beach. Certainly not when it threatens endangered birds and sea turtles as it has on the Cape Hatteras seashore.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you for your help.

Correspondence ID: 5663 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Therefore, I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use.

Correspondence ID: 5664 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Peemitting unrestricted vehical use in any wildlife preserve or national park or forest is, IMHO, asinine and proves once again that our alues i this country \are quite skewed.

Correspondence ID: 5665 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help save our willdlife. Hold those accountable. Make changes to protect our natural land. Do so now.

Correspondence ID: 5666 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I realize that off road vehicle riders have rights too, but there are many places for them to ride which do not disrupt a fragile environment which will not easily recover from the damage done by these vehicles. I saw first hand the destruction these vehicles can make to a fragile area in the Sierra Nevada near the Coldstream Rd en route to the Stamford wood camp. There was a 4 wheel drive road across a beautiful, wet, meadow. However some persons decided to drive off the road and tore up the area so no plants except noxious weeds could survive. I'm sure this affected the habitats of the woodland fauna as well. Please close the Cape Hatteras National Seashore to all but foot traffic and keep that traffic on well marked paths. We do not have the right to destroy nature, only to admire it. Fay E Slater

Correspondence ID: 5667 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-road Vehicles are destroying fragile ecosystems of Cape Hatteras National Seashore, habitat to endangered species such as piping plovers.

The new proposed regulation only sets aside areas for ORVs but does not mandate measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. Additionally it reserves only about a third of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

I'd like to go on record in supporting specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5668 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure, meant to be cherished and preserved.

Nesting shore birds and sea turtles require and deserve the security needed to lay eggs and raise their young. Limiting off-road vehicle access during these critical seasons helps the Park's wildlife preserve and increase their populations.

Off-roading is a fun activity but not necessary for survival. The thinking behind the ORV management regulations needs to clearly make this distinction, giving Park animals the space and privacy needed.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Is there anywhere where wildlife aren't being threatend by humans? Let's leave nature alone, and keep vehicles where they belong, on the streets.

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Name: private
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Correspondence ID: 5674 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The blind selfishness of irresponsible ORV drivers is egregious. Such flagrant disregard for the creatures that happen to "be in their way" is chilling. I wonder if these drivers would exercise any caution and respect if the animals were human!!

The ONLY morally correct way to address the problem is to pass legislation that puts other species' well being at least on a par with that accorded to humans.

Do not people out for some r&t in their ORV's realize how their singleminded narcissistic behavior is driving the extinction of so many other creatures?

Correspondence ID: 5675 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As representatives for all Americans who are trusted with making decisions that are wise long-term for our country and its future citizens' benefit, I feel that the National Park Service would be seriously mistaken in making approximately 2/3 of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore available to Off Road Vehicles. This strikes me more as an accommodation to those who want to use this area solely for fun and recreation without regard for the effect it will have on this seashore area and its wildlife.

Everyone should have a place to play, and to find recreation. The problem is that these kinds of vehicles would exist solely at the cost of the seashore area and those who enjoy its natural beauty. It will not be able to coexist with other activities.

At some point, the NPS needs to have the wisdom and courage to determine when a desired activity will be destructive of an area and not allow same. Our natural habitat, especially those such as the seashore at Cape Hatteras and other similar areas, is fragile and could be destroyed by such activity. The noise in and of itself will impact the enjoyment and health of any other activities. Our wetlands are the nursery for many animals and need to be protected. This is the job of the NPS - to make decisions not on the fad of the moment or something that could be done elsewhere more appropriate - but to make decisions that consider the longevity and health of the area for the future as well as the enjoyment of it at present.

Please don't allow ORV to destroy the pristine beauty of the seashore. Use your power and position to make a wise decision.

Thank you,

Susan Flyer A concerned citizen and parent

Correspondence ID: 5676 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5677 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Nature, natural, undisturbed, quiet, peaceful, perpetual, renewable, beaches, in balance, -- these are all of the things that we love about going to the beach. We form National Parks to protect these characteristics. None of these words are compatible with driving ORV in a swerving, destructive pattern all over wildlife, nests, and sand creatures. We have to have some separation of our love for fast machinery and our love of nature.

Fast machines belong on race tracks--not on a rampage through a natural, national park.

Correspondence ID: 5678 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: "I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specifi

Correspondence ID: 5679 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The animals were on this planet long before we were. Are we going to leave them nothing?

Correspondence ID: 5680 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a recent visitor to Cape Hatteras National Seashore this past August, I am concerned that the current proposal sets aside just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, while the rest is available year-round for seasonal beach driving.

I would prefer that ORV use be restricted to areas smaller than those for pedestrians and wildlife, and I am concerned that increased ORV use could damage nesting areas and other valuable aspects of the seashore.

Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5681 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: BAN!!!

Correspondence ID: 5682 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am concerned about the Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. This plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. More vehicle free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5683 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5684 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5685 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our national heritage.

Correspondence ID: 5686 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting and I hope that you will, too.

Thank you. Sincerely, David Karlovich

Correspondence ID: 5687 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I want to comment on the Park Service proposed regulations for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras. Please include proper protection of wildlife and pedestrians in the regulations. Cape Hatteras is one of the few beaches left that a person is able to enjoy the beauty of a beach without any commercialism, no houses, and no vehicles. Please give wildlife a chance as there will be no more beautiful beaches.

Thank You,

Frank Stroupe

Correspondence ID: 5688 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sir (Madam): We cannot eat money, drink money or breathe money. Therefore, it would make sense if we started to do everything possible to protect the environment before we destroy it completely. Animals and fish in factory farm environments are often very sick and unhealthy for human consumption but as we continue to destroy the planet, we are running out of options. Let's stop the madness while there's still time!

Correspondence ID: 5689 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you for caring for our birds and turtles.

People who want to enjoy the seashore need to get out of their vehicles and walk - - - carefully!

Correspondence ID: 5690 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

Friends and I are planning a trip to the cape Hatteras area next May. We were drawn to the area by pictures we have seen of the natural beauty of the area and the wildlife it supports.

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Carol Halpern

Correspondence ID: 5691 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please ban vehicles from driving on the beaches where birds are laying eggs. Beaches were meant to be sat upon to watch the water or walked not driven on and ruining or killing animals nesting there.

Correspondence ID: 5692 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not open this beautiful area to off road vehicles and the damage that would be done to this fragile environment.

Correspondence ID: 5693 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5695 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Sirs:

I believe that we are a people who protect the defenseless. It is unconscionable to put entertainment activities above this duty. We have taken control over a majority of the space on this planet. Please consider that this also involves a responsibility to protect it. Without a respect for nature, we can at some point make the Earth a place that can no longer support the quality of life we now enjoy. Please allow the longterm welfare of the natural world to outweigh the pleasure of a small segment of society.

Correspondence ID: 5696 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLEASE do not allow ORVs in Cape Hatteras National Seashore!

Correspondence ID: 5697 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate this opportunity to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last vestiges of open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places where Americans can visit wild beach environments that evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

Correspondence ID: 5698 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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evoke the experiences of our predecessors who encountered the vast wild coasts of North America.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. Examples include diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, wildlife protections work. For the past several years, the Park Service has enforced specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers. For instance, under that temporary plan, threatened and endangered sea turtles laid 153 nests in 2010, compared to only 82 nests in 2007, the last season prior to the implementation of the plan.

However, the Park Service has omitted these buffers and other successful wildlife protections in its proposed regulation. By doing so, and specifying only those areas set aside for ORV use, the Park Service falls short in its obligations under the Organic Act "to conserve the scenery (of the seashore) and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." To remedy this flaw, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific..

Correspondence ID: 5699 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife that use the seashore for nesting and raising their young need to have those areas protected.

Correspondence ID: 5700 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help preserve the habitat for these defenseless animals.

Correspondence ID: 5701 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I really do not think we (the human race) for pleasure have to destroy every aspect of nature just run to our atv's boats, or any other recreational. It is time we learn, we are not entitled to everything we want and time to learn some respect for nature and mother earth before it is too late.

Correspondence ID: 5702 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I'm writing to comment on the Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The seven national seashores on the Atlantic Ocean represent the last open, wild, undeveloped beach on the eastern seacoast of the United States. These nationally significant places not only protect habitats for rare, threatened, and endangered wildlife, but represent the last best places Americans can visit wild beach environments.

It is well-documented that ORV use impairs park resources. ORV use leads to diminished access and increased safety hazards for pedestrian visitors, along with increased wildlife mortality and dwindling populations. On the other hand, specific science-based measures like no-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks, and hatchlings, and protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds have worked. Under that temporary plan, protected species have been rebounding, with some reproducing in record numbers.

To meet legal requirements, the Park Service must designate both ORV routes and specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and for pedestrians in the regulation. If ORV use is to be allowed within the seashore, then a minimum of half of the beach, or 33.5 miles, should be available year round for non-ORV users and wildlife.

Thank you for considering these comments and for the hard work and dedication of the National Park Service in preserving America's natural and cultural heritage for future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5703 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help the national parks to do what is so vital.

Correspondence ID: 5704 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I spent my early years at the coast; wandering, shell hunting, wondering. I have to ask, why does anyone need to drive on the beach? It's for feet. Bare feet mostly. The seashore is for taking time to smell the sea air. The seashore is for catching sight of a unique animal or coming across a half-buried treasure. The seashore is not for driving on. That would destroy the purpose for which we humans go to the shore. and possibly destroy the animals that live there.

Correspondence ID: 5705 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5707 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please act

Correspondence ID: 5708 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop unrestricted off-road vehicles and driving. It destroys turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5709 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Why are these vehicles allowed on the beaches at all? In Michigan I don't think they are allowed to drive on the beaches. In some bird nesting areas people aren't allowed to walk on the beach where shorebirds nest. Whatever it takes to keep it safe for shorebirds and turtles and other wildlife safe. Thank you, gael Michigan

Correspondence ID: 5710 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5711 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Why must we allow such invasive devices on our seashores? We need to preserve peace, quiet and a sanctuary for our marine life.

Correspondence ID: 5712 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sirs: My family and I are long term visitors to our treasured National Seashore. For many years, we have been concerned about the lack of foresight to save the area's wildlife from extinction. In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. There is finally some hope, but the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

Please help to protect our wild birds and other wildlife. They need your help to survive!

Correspondence ID: 5713 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife WILL be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. This is totally unacceptable! The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. Less than half of the area!! Many

more miles of vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is completely unacceptable! This is a National Seashore--which many sea turtles and sea birds depend upon for nesting and raising their young. How can their survival needs be optional--and instead, the desire of some visitors to drive ORVs take priority?! People do not need to be driving ORVs on the beach, in the first place--there is no reason people can't simply walk on the beach. However, if ORV use is going to be allowed no matter what--it needs to be restricted to much smaller areas and areas in which it will NOT impact wildlife or people who simply desire to walk peacefully on the beach.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your attention to this!

Sincerely,

Christine Housel Gainesville, FL

Correspondence ID:	5714	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please eliminate or limit ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore in order to protect the wildlife and their habitat.						

Correspondence ID:	5715	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I strongly urge you to extend wide protection of the breeding and nesting grounds for all wildlife that is part of the Cape Hatteras ecosystem.						

While human population is growing, wildlife numbers are declining and need much protection.

This is a big part of our fabulous, national, natural heritage. It must be protected from the ignorant and the greedy.

Correspondence ID:	5716	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray, As a wildlife supporter, bird watcher and an individual who also enjoys recreational motorcycling, boating and RVing, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.						

Correspondence ID:	5717	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting						

Correspondence ID:	5718	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5719 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do everything to protect wildlife and especially nesting areas.

Correspondence ID: 5720 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I urge you to not allow any kind of vehicle on the beaches of Cape Hatteras National Seashore. This area needs to be protected for the wildlife. This is the number one priority for the National Park System.

Correspondence ID: 5721 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

The current proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5722 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very troubled by the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Should beach driving become legal there, it will be devastating for the avian wildlife that make it their home. Particularly in light of the destruction caused by Hurricane Irene, this area needs to be left to recover in peace. Nesting sea turtles also should not be endangered by beach driving ORVs. When our environment is already so fragile, the last thing we need is reckless ORV driving plowing up the landscape and killing off young wild creatures. They deserve better stewardship from us humans.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. I for one do not wish to be subjected to the impact of ORVs when I visit this unique setting.

Wildlife protection should NOT be merely optional, as it now is written in the proposal. Please be compassionate towards the earth's creatures and give them sanctuary against the ravages of ORV's, who serve no purpose that goes beyond private

recreation while ripping apart the world of these animals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5723 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support the regulations restricting use of ORVs on Hatteras. They seem fair to me and seem to take into consideration environmental issues as well as the interests of those wishing to drive their ORVs. Having route closures during nesting times is vital and if there is any concern that the wildlife is still being disturbed, I would favor more restrictions. Nature is vital to our well being and we need to protect it if we and future generations are going to be able to enjoy and benefit from it.

Correspondence ID: 5724 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We should do all we can to protect wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5725 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5726 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are more than enough miles of road in this country on which people can drive. There are only so many miles for wildlife to live. So why is that a reason to protect wildlife? We are the beings with intellect - we can move, change plans, live and play anywhere; the creatures cannot. They enhance life, keeping all things in balance.

Correspondence ID: 5727 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5728 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National

Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I urge you to support the ORVs as well. Thank you.

Correspondence ID:	5729	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We need specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.						

Correspondence ID:	5730	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please protect our wildlife my regulating off-road vehicles effectively. Recreation is not more important than ecology.						

Correspondence ID:	5731	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened

and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5733 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support enforceable science-based protections for wildlife in as many places as possible. We need to stop thinking and acting as if we are the only species living on this world. Our need to recreate in ways that endanger our land and the wildlife we share it with is reprehensible to me. When our other actions are already endangering the ability of other species to survive, we must at least do everything we can to protect the areas in which they nest.

Correspondence ID: 5734 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the wildlife from beach driving.

Correspondence ID: 5735 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have been visiting the Outer Banks since 1977 since my mother moved there. I have seen many changes since then. The pristine area now has strip malls, million dollar homes, and lots of traffic. My mother still lives there and I still visit frequently. I think allowing off road vehicles on the Cape Hatteras National seashore will be a disaster in the making. Have there not been enough assaults on the wildlife there? Think of the nesting birds and the other creatures who need this shoreline to survive, not the tourists who only care about their selves. I for one loved the Outer Banks but disapprove of the many changes you are allowing. Please stand up for the wildlife and do not let off road vehicles drive on your beaches. Let tourists, like myself, enjoy nature without having to compete with exhaust fumes and tourists who obviously do not care about the health of your beaches and wildlife by even considering driving on them. I strongly oppose this action.

Correspondence ID: 5736 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: How said it is that we don't realize how interdependent we are on each other ... the earth, water, plants, animals and human beings

Correspondence ID: 5737 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Respect nature and have fun.

Correspondence ID: 5738 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I have vacationed in the area and always marveled at the diversity of wildlife.

I understand under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. People who visit this beautiful seashore should walk and admire nature, not race indiscriminately along the seashore on highpowered vehicles and not even registering what they are driving over.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Christiane Pistor

Correspondence ID: 5739 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There should be no access for any motorized vehicles at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Have some consideration for the wildlife at all shore lines.

Correspondence ID: 5740 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Please do not let it happen.

Correspondence ID: 5741 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off road vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. People are mobile and can use other places for recreation while these birds use the area for nesting. Can't we share the planet with these creatures who have evolved over time to use this as a nesting ground. They can't go anywhere else. Please keep the shore off limits during nesting season and ENFORCE IT.

Thank you,

JoAnne Lusk

Correspondence ID: 5742 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers and sea turtles rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. If off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks will surely be disturbed, if not destroyed. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers will surely decline. I strongly support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5743 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use

with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include the buffers and protections needed for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5744 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5745 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Animals have rights, too. Human hubris dictaes many changes but these animals are a large part of why humans even want to be there.

Correspondence ID: 5746 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please don't allow vehicles to harm animals.

Correspondence ID: 5747 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5748 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5749 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

There is no reason to allow beach drivers the right to kill native wildlife and to disrupt the peace and quiet of people who prefer the natural world. There will be no natural world if we let those who can't get out of their cars and want to despoil nature.

Thank you for your consideration.

Molly Ciliberti, RN

Correspondence ID: 5750 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5751 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-road vehicles are killing the little wildlife that we have left!

Please STOP this practice!

Correspondence ID: 5752 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We owe wildlife undisturbed access to their habitats before we serve a few humans with a need to drive off-road vehicles for entertainment. We all have restrictions for the good of all. They too must conform to restrictions. Our preference to cater to all human wants is contributing to our disregard to the natural world from which we emerged with countless species. It's perfectly fine for us to be more considerate of other species. It makes us more human.

Correspondence ID: 5753 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: in a world of peak oil wasting fuel while destroying wildlife habitats and breeding grounds is just plain ignorant...ban all ORV use in sensitive areas and do us all a favor...

Correspondence ID: 5754 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 5755 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders of Wildlife and their partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet, the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Great progress has been made in winning important protections of Hatteras' wildlife. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. This is unacceptable. The Park Service should be supporting specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 5757 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I often vacationed on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore when I lived in Virginia, and I very much enjoyed the free and unfettered play of wildlife in that area. Limiting offshore vehicles from driving on the seashore will protect plovers, their chicks, and other wildlife, which so urgently need protection. By all means ban driving on the beaches!

Correspondence ID: 5758 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

When adopting regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore, please update the proposed regulation to include these critical protections.

Thanks, Ruby Wood

Correspondence ID: 5759 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5760 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5761 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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There are plenty of roadways where folks can drive to their heart's content. Why must we allow vehicles along our Seashore??? Are we to have no areas where people and creatures can simply enjoy non-mechanized life? What does that say about the type of society we've become?

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5762 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect seashore wildlife.People have a choice where to use off road vehicles,wildlife cannot choose where to live! Thank

you, Michaellyn Martinez

Correspondence ID: 5763 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing this to let you know that I, and many others, oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle access to Cape Hatteras Seashore. Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank You!

Correspondence ID: 5764 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: stop off road vehicles from damaging wildlife

Correspondence ID: 5765 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulate these off road vehicles that are harming wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 5766 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5767 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5768 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. I have been to the Outer Banks on a number of occasions, most memorably I spent my honeymoon there. My husband and I have a vacation home on the Delmarva Peninsula and spent MANY hours kayaking, and walking trails along the Inland Bays of Delaware. We have the utmost respect and gratitude for the shoreline and the abundance of wildlife we observe. I would be devastated to see any of my beloved Delaware Bay shoreline ravaged by ORV use. The osprey, eagle, herons, egrets, gulls.....are gracious hosts and I respect their habitats. Please do not allow the few to destroy the progress that has been made at the Outer Banks. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5769 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a scientist and visitor, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Maria Ekstrand

Correspondence ID: 5770 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5771 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I AM OPPOSED TO UNRESTRICTED OFF ROAD VEHICLES- PLEASE PROTECT TURTLES, BIRDS AND OTHER WILDLIFE- GET MOTORIZED VEHICLES OUT OF NATIONAL PARKS- EXCEPT FOR PARK RUN BUSES TO HELP DISABLED PEOPLE SEE THE WONDERS.

I HAVE BEEN TO CAPE HATTERAS NATIONAL SEASHORE AND THE BEAUTY OF IT IS HOW WILD AND QUIET IT IS.

Correspondence ID: 5772 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a New York City voter. Coastal Wildlife like Turtles and Birds must be Preserved and Conserved for the Future for the benefit of all. The Parks Dept. must regulate and limit control of all traffic to coasts and beaches avoiding pollution. Cape Hatteras and Cape Cod are Priorities. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5773 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please take action to protect National Park Systems, especially wildlife, from off road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 5774 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The use of off road vehicles on shorelines endangers wildlife and destroys natural habitats. Please restrict the use of such vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 5775 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We desperately need to learn to live with our wildlife so wildlife will be around for future generations. Many species live and nest on our beaches so we need to protect them. Please stop ATV activity on our beaches and set aside areas where wildlife nests (plovers, sea turtles, etc) from ATVs, dogs, and people.

Thank you for considering my comments,

Valerie Baldwin

Correspondence ID: 5776 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There must be a way to work this out to some satisfaction of all concerned.

Correspondence ID: 5777 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As coast lines are eroded and beaches foiled by oil spills, waste from sea going vessels and a general disrespect for the earth, we must protect as many natural coastlines as possible for future generations.

Correspondence ID: 5778 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific enforceable science based protection for wildlife and additional vehicle free areas for nesting... It has been demonstrated more than once to be effective.. Lets make it permanent

Correspondence ID: 5779 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please prohibit use of off-road vehicles that endanger the lives and health of shore birds and animals. These creatures must have a safe environment free of motorized vehicles and the hazzards created by man. They were there first.

Correspondence ID: 5780 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: While recreation is important to humans, to risk harming the chances for reproduction of numerous species of animals seems very selfish. I stand behind limiting the areas and nesting times for off road vehicles on the beach.

I would hope we have learned by now that we all need to share this earth. Use scientific knowledge to compromise this decision. I want my grandchildren to be able to enjoy the species we have left.

Correspondence ID: 5781 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose the unrestricted use of off road vehicles, it is a threat to many species of birds and also to sea turtles.

Please protect these nesting areas and create more vehicle free areas.

Correspondence ID: 5782 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Please prevent the wreckless and careless harm to wildlife by preventing vehicles from utilizing this valuable area! Thank you so much.

Correspondence ID: 5783 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration

Correspondence ID: 5784 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5785 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road travel for any purpose except for officia park vehicles should be prohibited. The beach and dune system is very fragil should be protected for a number of reasons, wildliife habitat, erosion and the beauty of the natural dunes

Correspondence ID: 5786 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect all wildlife creatures in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore! I would say ORV should not be allowed in the National Seashore anywhere. Respectfully yours,

Correspondence ID: 5787 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is all about the Rights of Nature and the link between respecting ourselves and respecting the planet - Mother Earth - which we live on and depend. All beings living in harmony.

One article in the Rights of Nature: "establish precautionary and restrictive measures to prevent human activities from causing species extinction, the destruction of ecosystems or the destruction of ecological cycles."

I believe this applies to the National Park System and in particular to the Cape Hatteras National Shoreline

Correspondence ID: 5788 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife, including birds at Cape Hatteras, have enough challenges to meet, courtesy of global warming and people moving into their habitats. Motorized recreational vehicles have no place in their habitats. Especially habitats as crucial as this.

Correspondence ID: 5789 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Correspondence ID:	5790	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	offroad vehicles are killing off shore life.						

they should be banned wherever there is endangered natural life.

Correspondence ID:	5791	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. As a biologist, I have conducted research on sea turtle nesting habits and emergence success in a 7-mile stretch of southwest Florida beaches. The use of ORV or any other vehicle on beaches clearly effects nesting habitats of sea turtles, and hatching and emergence success of hatchlings, as well as negatively affecting shorebirds by disturbance.

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Kind Regards,

Jason Seitz

Correspondence ID:	5792	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Thank you for your consideration. Todd Wilson

Correspondence ID: 5793 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am deeply concerned about the threats to wildlife caused by unlimited offroad vehicle use on our nation's shoreline. Please protect birds and turtles by ending this destructive practice. Thank you,

Marta Neely

Correspondence ID: 5794 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 5795 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please reduce the amount of land allocated to off roading. I'd be in favor of not allowing it all.

Correspondence ID: 5796 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The government MUST put in exact regulations on safe places for off roading and restricting use where off road vehicles threaten wildlife and the environment.

Correspondence ID: 5797 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Correspondence ID:	5798	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off-road vehicles should be severely restricted on national lands to protect environment and our ability to enjoy our natural beauty for the next 250 years!						

Correspondence ID:	5799	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Correspondence ID:	5800	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please ensure that the new regulations do as much as possible to protect wildlife on the Hatteras seashore. There is no place like it in the world and we must understand that it is fragile. Please ensure that ORVs do not destroy the ecosystem there.						

Correspondence ID:	5801	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do not let off road vehicles destroy the shores and wildlife by allowing their unlimited operation in our National Park lands.						

This plan should explicitly protect wildlife, their habitat and their entire nesting areas. It has already shown positive effects

when protections are in place. Extend that protection, don't eliminate it, please.

Correspondence ID: 5802 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop people from running over the turtles and wildlife so that our grandchildren can still enjoy!

Correspondence ID: 5803 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Besides the danger that ORVs pose to the humans that ride them (often without safety helmets) and to the human spectators that have been known to be hit and killed while watching ORV races, these vehicles pose a threat to the habitats of our coastal wildlife, killing animals and their unborn offspring, resulting in future generations never having the opportunity to mate, putting their very existence in danger. These habitats are precious to Californians and to the future generations of Californians who should be able to experience the beautiful, diverse ecosystems that are an important part of what makes America wonderful place. Protect our land and the wildlife that lives on it.

Correspondence ID: 5804 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5805 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5806 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5807 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5808 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I'm writing in order to urge those who have the authority to pass this bill that would protect wild life from off road cars, bikes and such.

Sincerely,

Matthew Abuelo

Correspondence ID: 5809 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific enforceable science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle free areas for nesting. It is ridiculous that only 26 miles of the 67 miles of coastline is protected from ORV.

Thank you

Correspondence ID: 5810 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Stop this now!

Correspondence ID: 5811 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Beaches are one of the best places to ride off-road powered vehicles, but they're also the ONLY place for endangered wildlife such as sea turtles and certain species of plover (shorebirds) to nest and produce young. I urge you to consult with local biologists to compose reasonable restrictions on where ORVs can safely drive without damaging protected wildlife. Science, not lobbying, should be the rule of the day. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5812 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I realize this is a past time that locals have come to love... but there needs to be some way to protect the species and still meet the desire to continue... perhaps regulation and regulating traffic areas will allow some undisturbed land for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5813 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5814 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please, no more self - gratification, noisy, polluting, dangerous vehicles or behaviors in our national parks. These areas were set aside so we, the people, can enjoy the natural beauty of our nation.

Correspondence ID: 5815 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Absolutely NO to off road vehicles in our treasured parks. If we don't protect our parks and our wildlife, who will.

Correspondence ID: 5816 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use of at any National Seashore or Park. This would harm animals and people and have a negative impact on the environment. Please help and protect the wildlife nesting areas instead.

Correspondence ID: 5817 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: LET US TRY TO SAVE THE PLANET; AND PRAY WE DO.....

Correspondence ID: 5818 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet this proposed regulation does too little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

As you know, in recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. The death of a species is an irretrievable loss to this planet. Human actions are already causing the 6th great species extinction. It is our duty to be responsible stewards for our natural areas, and minimize the destruction of species and their habitats

I urge you to continue strong protections for Hatteras' wildlife. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving, which is irresponsible. It is the duty of government to take a wider, longer and wiser view on behalf of all its people

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. DO THE RIGHT THING HERE BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!

Correspondence ID: 5819 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5820 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please vote for wildlife first and keep off-road vehicles off the shore.

Correspondence ID: 5821 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am grateful that you are considering this legislation, but please go further. Please provide more traffic-free miles for nesting and more specific, science-based regulations to protect the wildlife. I am an avid hiker and bird-watcher and I would love more peaceful miles to walk and more land for the wildlife.

Thank-you so much for your consideration of my comments. Pat Watkins

Correspondence ID: 5822 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5823 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5824 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: WE Need you to protect the wild life on the beaches of Cape Hatteras. People don't care and this world is seemly not caring about the disappearing wildlife at an alarming rate.

WE NEED STRONG LAWS PROTECTING WILDLIFE FROM HUMANS DRIVING WILDLY ON BEACHES IN THEIR TERRITORY! Where is our honor as a nation to stop the outright destruction of our land.

Please have integrity and do the right thing for this planet and the creatures that we share it with.

Correspondence ID: 5825 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Good day,

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline.

But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by environmental groups and their advocates, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. WHY???????

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers.

It reserves ONLY 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-

round and seasonal beach driving. Again, WHY????

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153.

If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers will again decline and do so faster than they increased!

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. These folks ALWAYS think of themselves and their recreation FIRST. It is all about them...this cannot continue if we are to have these wonderful creatures in the future.

We support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Do the right thing for a change and protect the birds and wilderness and don't cave to the ORV crowd...again.

Correspondence ID: 5826 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please severely limit off road vehicles at Cape Hatteras National Seashore . Nests and chicks could be disturbed, if you are too permissive.

Correspondence ID: 5827 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PROTECTION OF ENDANGERED WILDLIFE ALONG HATTERAS BEACHES AND OTHER BEACHES IS ESSENTIAL TO PRESERVATION OF VALUABLE SPECIES. OFF ROAD VEHICLES THREATEN THE BALANCE OF NATURE ON THESE BEACHES. THE PARK SERVICE SHOULD MINIMIZE THEIR USE.

DRIVING ON BEACHES HAS HAD DEVASTATING EFFECTS ON NESTING TURTLES.

Correspondence ID: 5828 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5829 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 5830 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am writing to urge you to decrease the area open for ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Sea turtles and shore birds need this area protected for successful nesting. My own experience is that when hikers and cyclists use the same trails in Colorado, a dangerous situation is set up. The negative impact of these vehicles on human and wildlife is considerable, and ORV access should be severely limited.

Correspondence ID: 5831 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I believe the highest obligation of mankind is to protect our planet and the creatures that co-inhabit it with us. I'm an animal welfare advocate and believe animals deserve our respect. We should do all we can do to create healthy, nurturing environments for both domestic and wild animals. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife

has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Remember, "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated" Mahatma Gandhi

Thank you for your consideration

Correspondence ID: 5832 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5833 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help protect the birds & wildlife on our beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5834 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I know those toys are fun, but people should build race tracks for them.

they SHOULD NOT be allowed in fragile ecosystems.

Correspondence ID: 5835 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Cape Hatteras National Seashore Department, As an educator and as a person who values nature and our wildlife, I urge you to put forth regulations to protect birds and other species from being injured by off-road vehicles. I am absolutely appalled that this could be happening to these creatures in areas that we should be protecting. What does this wanton disregard for nature teach our children? Sincerely, Karen Golann

Correspondence ID: 5836 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please work to restrict the use of ATVs and other recreation vehicles on our most sensitive wildlands, especially our shorelines. Most people realize how important our shores are to wildlife like our sea turtles and have little knowledge of how these vehicles negatively impact our shore birds and othe animals that nest and raise young there. The beach should be a bright, relaxing

escape for people and our wildlife. Please ensure these good times aren't broken up by the loud roar and fumes that come with ATV use. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5837 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect these animals and prevent more damage to their habitats!

Correspondence ID: 5838 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would respectfully ask our National Park Service to use scientific and logic based methods to determine the best use of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore land and not give in to a minority of people who want to run ORV's everywhere. Our park system should be dedicated to preserving all of our parks as much as possible so they can be enjoyed for many generations to come. Allowing ORV's unlimited access to beaches and nesting grounds of the creatures who inhabit this National Seashore will be devastating. I understand that park visitors bring revenue which I have no doubt our park system needs, but we must balance the wants and desires of park guests with the responsibility of maintaining the environmental habitat for all the creatures that make our National Parks their home.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion on this matter and for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5839 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore has a great chance of restoring many wildlife habitats, but only is ORV's are NOT allowed on the beaches.

Beaches are for wildlife, not for humans driving vehicles in.

Sincerely, courtney a. smith

Correspondence ID: 5840 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please take care of our wild-life, if we don't who will.

Correspondence ID: 5841 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

So I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5842 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: NestING AREAS OF PLOVERS, TURTLES A ND ALL WILDLIFE SHOULD BE PROTECTED YEAR ROUND FROM ATV OR OTHER VEHICLES DRIVING THRU THE CAPE HATTERAS NATIONAL SEASHORE. I LIVED FOR THE PAST 33 YRS IN A NATIONAL FOREST ON A LAKE AND WHEN ATV TRAILS WERE ALLOWED A GREAT DEAL OF HABITAT AS WELL AS WILDLIFE AREAS NEEDED FOR THE BIRD AND ANIMAL WILDLIFE SURVIVAL WAS LOST AND DESTROYED. DON'T ALLOW IT TO HAPPEN HERE AS WELL.

Correspondence ID: 5843 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help save our precious wildlife

Correspondence ID: 5844 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have seen the SUVs tearing up and down Washington State beaches and have no reason to believe that east coast SUV drivers would be more civilized.

Sincerely, Bill Wald

Correspondence ID: 5845 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5846 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5847 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5848 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please prevent wildlife vehicle deaths in Cape Hatteras.

I strongly oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens shore birds, sea turtles and other wildlife.

Please adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5849 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello- Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Please address this issue. Thanks, -Laura

Correspondence ID: 5850 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a lover of wildlife and one who has vacationed on Cape Hatteras, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5851 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Correspondence ID:	5852	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5853	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We must respect and keep wildlife safe for it is our only legacy.						

Correspondence ID:	5854	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please make it clear that off road vehicle use is a death sentence to wildlife. We already have off road vehicle use almost everywhere, specifically in areas that are designated 'wildlife refuges'. The decision on the restriction of off road vehicle use will have far reaching environmental consequences and obviously has already resulted in endangering wildlife to the point where certain species have been pushed to the brink of extinction. The consequences will impact all life on our planet, including ourselves.						

Thank you for considering these arguments.

Respectfully,

Eva Kafka

Correspondence ID: 5855 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5856 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I'm writing to comment on the National Park Service plan to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. My family has spent our summers there for years and we feel very strongly about the bad effects that this regulation could cause.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I think that when addressing areas for ORV's it's extremely important that we take specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5857 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello, Im writing in regards to off road vehicles on the beaches. As this practice is extremely destructive to the wildlife that builds it's nests on the beach, in the sand and dunes. Our wildlife is an extremely critical part of or Earth's ecosystem. Please consider this for the wildlife as well as for the future of Planet Earth. Thank you, Deborah Flowers

Correspondence ID: 5858 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Finally, after years of advocacy, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5859 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5860 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5861	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please Adopt rules regulating BEACH DRIVING on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						

Correspondence ID:	5862	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Regarding off-road vehicles on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting of endangered wildlife.						

Correspondence ID:	5863	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I'll be brief. We need to protect wildlife, not motors. Motorized recreation should not take precedence over another species' very survival.						

Correspondence ID:	5864	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We do not need to further destroy our wild areas with off the road vehicles used for recreation. If people want to visit these areas hiking is always an option within proper regulation to protect the environment.						

Correspondence ID:	5865	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.						

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Correspondence ID:	5866	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	It is well documented, and has been proven, that permitting ORVs to operate along shorelines and other areas where ground-dwelling wildlife and birds exist results in its decimation.						

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. Further, it reserves only 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for

year-round and seasonal beach driving.

Granting the owners of ORVs this privilege will be a very big error of judgement insofar as protection of wildlife is concerned.

I fully support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife, and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

I respectfully urge you to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use which threatens, in no uncertain terms, sea turtles, shorebirds and all other shoreline wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5867 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to regulate the use of off-road vehicles everywhere. It especially important when it is causing problems among the wild life in areas such as this case.

Correspondence ID: 5868 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There should not be driving on any beaches, nor snowmobiles allowed in natural environments and national parks unless used for emergencies.

Correspondence ID: 5869 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop the senseless murder of innocent creatures.

Correspondence ID: 5870 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would like to express my support for the continued ban of off road vehicles at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The environmental impact is just to great! Consider noise, exhaust, risk to shore birds and sand dwelling creatures, increased litter potential, etc etc. This seems like an obvious decision to me. Don't let pressure from short sighted economic concerns ruin a legacy for my children.

Sincerely, Bill O'Halloran

Correspondence ID: 5871 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

Please consider my concerns about the National Park Service's proposed regulation regarding off-road vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

The plan currently in place has allowed for much success in protecting wildlife, especially sea turtles and shorebirds. Expanded ORV use will definitely impact threatened and endangered wildlife.

The Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife, setting aside a restricted area of the 67-mile Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use, with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are desperately needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

The proposed regulations as written make wildlife protection optional. This is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your help.

Correspondence ID: 5872 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: The National Park System's primary responsibility is to protect our fragile seashores and ecosystems. this is a diminishing resource. Off road vehicles destroy this resource. In the age of climate change off road vehicles generate green house gas which is also contributing to global warming. There are many forms of healthy recreation but off road vehicles are not one of those forms.

Correspondence ID: 5873 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Governments have a responsibility to include future impacts of their decisions.

BLM, Energy and Agriculture need to include protection of the natural resources for tomorrow, ten years and 100 years from now.

And they have a responsibility to bring the public along on this mission. Energy department especially seems "hell bent" on supporting the extraction industry at all costs. True that we must rely on them for current needs, but let's make them pay true costs as we go along. If they do that, they'll be much more responsible in their actions than they've shown in the past.

Our public lands must continue to offer recreation to all people, not just the gas-hog groups who care nothing for the land they are using.

Correspondence ID: 5874 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5875 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Anything that endangers wildlife should be restricted. We live on a small lake, and I wouldn't like vehicles destroying turtle eggs and plant species being run over, just for a few moments of driving pleasure. There is too little of our wildlife left.

Correspondence ID: 5876 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I vacation at least twice a year on the Outerbanks, NC (Hatteras and Ocracoke Islands). I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. Already, there are people who disobey the exiting laws and we have seen people entering prohibited areas. If people think that there is a relaxation of the laws, this will only encourage them to further 'do as they please'.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does

wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dr Dianne Raubenheimer

Correspondence ID:	5877	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.						

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

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In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

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We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thanks for considering and taking action to support the quality of life for wildlife and for saving them from decimation and extinction.

Correspondence ID:	5878	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5879	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Unrestricted off road vehicles are killing shore line wildlife.

Threatened species such as piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 5880 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ORV's are destroying every habitat they are allowed to operate in. If they are not allowed they just cut fences and tear everything up anyway. I strongly support any and all limitations levied against the ORV nightmare.

Correspondence ID: 5881 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the environment for everyone's future benefit.

Correspondence ID: 5882 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Living in northern MN for many years, I have witnessed over and over again off road vehicles breaking the laws over and over again. It is sad but it comes with the majority of users of ATYVs as well as regular trucks and other things. There is no one to stop them or watch them. There are usually no signs posted either. Please help with this.

Correspondence ID: 5883 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5884 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I ask that you consider the needs and habitats of wildlife, including shorebirds, and designate extensive vehicle (ORV) free areas of Hatteras. Also please consider the needs of quiet non-destructive recreationists and families who come to the ocean for a sense of nature, not a Disneyland. In a time of fossil fuel issues and global warming/climate change, the ORV industry and enthusiasts are oxymorons. Please keep the beaches for wildlife and people, not machines.

Correspondence ID: 5885 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We desperately need to learn to live and protect our wildlife for future generations. Please stop ATVs on our beaches and protect nesting plovers, turtles, etc, from ATVs, dogs and people.

Thank you for considering my comments,

Valerie Baldwin

Correspondence ID: 5886 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5887 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Not one person's life is enhanced by allowing idiots to blow through sensitive wildlife areas, but countless creatures lives are destroyed and ours, as well, in the process.

Why is this necessary? Just one good reason, and it can't be that someone will profit. (That just blew ANY reason for this change in rules because that's the ONLY reason anything is done in this Third World country we live in, the U.S.)

Correspondence ID: 5888 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow beach driving in this sensitive area. Not only does it destroy the wildlife that depend on this shoreline, but the entire beach is going to be trashed, and most of the animals will die because of it. The natural beauty that everyone loves about that Seashore will be gone. This is truly very sad you are even considering allowing beach driving.

Correspondence ID: 5889 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom:

Let us start taking care of this country and its wildlife that we have been abusing for so long. Profit and ego have been the drivers of this abuse, and it's up to you to change that. Please leave this planet a better place for your children.

Thank you, Susan Ju

Correspondence ID: 5890 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Come on, what is wrong with the thinking on this issue. There is no way it will ever be the correct decision to allow off road vehicles to use the shore line for drunken fun because it desimates nesting animals, harming, killing, and scaring them.

There should be no debate about this. To allow these vehicles to use the shore for nothing but fun while killing scores of animals who have nowhere else to nest is a sin against God, mankind and nature.

Our country will not stand for this inhumane regulation and the voters will speak, make no mistake about it.

Do not allow these animals to be harmed in the name of fun. What kind of people would think this is acceptable?

Correspondence ID: 5891 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please ban all motorized vehicles from the beaches at Cape Hatteras as well as all Outer Banks beaches. They harm the wildlife, bother the beach-goers and swimmers and tear up the beach.

Correspondence ID: 5892 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles have no place in our National Park system. They do nothing but pollute and destroy. The outright killing of

wildlife that results from their irresponsible use could cost us dearly in losses of species already threatened.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

You're supposed to be protecting our environment, not unleashing selfish mindless yahoos and their damned ORVs on precious seashore habitats.

Correspondence ID: 5893 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I ask that rules permitting off-road vehicles (ORVs) to use the majority of National Seashore beaches be revamped to allow a minority of such beaches for ORV use. There is no excuse to allow the slaughter of wildlife for such casual recreation, especially when their protection is implicit in the National Seashore status. It is time we protected these resources as though they might last for the foreseeable future, not just until December 12, 2012.

Rules permitting the use of unrestricted ORVs destroy the intent of the founding legislation and undermine the public's rights to protect critical wildlife. There can be no excuse for sacrificing what should be permanent features of America for the short-term gains of those who do not care one bit for the survival OF ANY SPECIES WE DON'T EAT OR WEAR.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5894 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must allow other species to procreate, and off-road vehicles should not have access to areas where there are nesting shorebirds; nor when turtles lay their eggs, nor when those eggs hatch. For goodness sake, we need to be better stewards of this planet. Do we really need to be so destructive when "having fun" with off-road gallivanting? I hope not.

I am an avid birdwatcher and have not yet had a chance to visit Cape Hatteras. I would hope that we could preserve it for species which rely on this wonderful area for nesting.

Areas like Cape Hatteras are rare and of vital necessity to our fellow species. Please protect this area from such frivolous destruction. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5895 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: For the sake of the real wildlife, OHV must be restricted and regulated.

Correspondence ID: 5896 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: limit off road vechiles on cape hatteras, my best vacation spot to bird watch

Correspondence ID: 5897 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5898 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5899 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to ask that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting birds and turtles. While I love to visit your area on vacation, I would enjoy it even more if you took steps to protect the wildlife. after all, that's one of the reasons to visit. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5900 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Superintendent Murray,

I own and enjoy riding an off road vehicle; however I am also concerned about shore wildlife. The proposed regulations only set aside 26 acres for protected status. This is not enough area if we are to see continued improvements in sustainable populations such as sea turtles. The improvements in their populations between 2007 and 2010 is good, but the current plan does not do enough. Expanded use of off road vehicles will reduce the gains that have been made.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and take necessary action that afford enjoyment of this wonderful area.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michael Sansone

Correspondence ID: 5901 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

ORVs should be restricted. We are losing too many shore birds species as it is because of climate change. Human destruction is at an all time high and off road vehicles are a disaster on our beaches.

Correspondence ID: 5902 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007,

made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5903 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is the use of "unregulated" in current ruling that is foolish. Mitigate the damage. It isn't rocket science. Beaches can be shared with a bit of common sense.

Fix it. It is your job.

Correspondence ID: 5904 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken a huge toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

The National Park Service is finally poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153.

If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers will decline.

Correspondence ID: 5905 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Good afternoon. I think it is important to implement Special Regulations in Areas of National Park System, with specific reference to Cape Hatteras National Seashore (Document ID NPS-2011-0005-0001).

We need to balance our lives, recreation and sport with nature. I hope you will seriously consider this issue and ban use of human recreation that destroys wide life in what little natural habitat it has left.

Kind regards, Mindy Maxwell

Correspondence ID: 5906 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We in MA have a similar debate around off-road vehicles and protection of seashore birds, especially plovers. Yes, their populations are recovering, but they still need protection, and there is no reason people can't accommodate their nesting grounds. Please keep vehicles off the beaches! It's a small sacrifice for a greater legacy.

Correspondence ID: 5907 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose the use of unrestricted off road vehicles. These vehicles threaten sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife that make their homes there. There is a definite need to restrict, fine and jail reckless and irresponsible drivers. More of the shoreline needs to be dedicated to protect the nesting areas. There should be a permanent plan in effect to limit ORV use near the protected wildlife areas and it should be enforced. Protect the wildlife and don't let the ORV people take over.

Correspondence ID: 5908 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please disallow off-road vehicles along coastlines. Beaches (and wetlands) are not suited to such vehicles, primarily because of the injury they can cause to wildlife and the natural habitat.

Correspondence ID: 5909 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5910 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5911 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Good Morning Park Service officials,

I am writing to express my concern for the wildlife, those visitors like my family who enjoy peaceful walks and observing wildlife along the beautiful shoreline, and the future of the land (including the wildlife, erosion concerns due to improper use, noise/air/water pollution due to use of ORV's along the sensitive sea shore).

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. Please make this a permanent plan. I understand that the proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for

pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

thank you for your attention to this matter and my concerns Ruth

Correspondence ID: 5912 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. This is harming and endangering the animals.

Correspondence ID: 5913 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It would be of more value to the tourist and the environment to limit the ORV to parking lots or trails especially for them that do no harm to the habitat.

At the East Tawas Point, areas are blocked to even foot traffic when the piping plovers are nesting on the beach. Nature doesn't need machines trampling over it, nor does the public need to see or hear them when they come to spend time with nature.

Correspondence ID: 5914 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5915 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5916 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am opposed to unrestricted off-road vehicle use on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Please do more to protect the native wildlife and create vehicle free areas for nesting. Thank You.

Correspondence ID: 5917 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: nothing should be on the beach besides animals

Correspondence ID: 5918 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Why do people need to drive on a beach? Why does wildlife always have to take a back seat to people and their needs? It is time to stand up to special interests and protect nesting birds and sea turtles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The destructive behavior of driving is dangerous for everyone. It was only a year ago when a little girl was killed in Florida on one of their driving beaches. People and animals are at risk and it is the job of our park system to protect. Please stop driving on the beach and protect our special wildlife before it is gone.

Sincerely, Holly Balogh Wildlife Advocate

Correspondence ID: 5919 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support the adoption of regulations to restrict beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5920 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5921 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. It appears that the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 miles total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Off road vehicle drivers are a small portion of those who visit Cape Hatteras National Seashore each year. They should not be getting the most attention because their activity destroys the habitat for wildlife, and disturbs the use of the seashore by the vast majority of visitors, who come to appreciate and enjoy the wildlife.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5922 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our shoreline wildlife cannot afford more damage. We cannot put our wildlife any more at risk. Shoreline habitat is an incubator of biological well being. Can these drivers imagine ways they could zoom around without destroying life.

Correspondence ID: 5923 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicle use must be regulated in order to preserve and protect our natural areas and wildlife, while providing a quieter and cleaner atmosphere for others who wish to experience nature away from noisy and polluting combustion engines.

I've seen the destruction and felt the intrusion of dirt bikes and other ATV's while hiking in the mountains and on the shores of Washington and Oregon.

It makes good sense to restrict the use of powerful motorized vehicles in sensitive and pristine areas across the country, and no sense to ignore the problems caused by "free wheeling" individuals who are only interested in power and speed.

I also feel strongly that automobiles should not be permitted to drive on public beaches where they destroy marine habitat and wildlife while leaving a large and sometimes oily impression on the sand that many other folks enjoy walking on barefoot.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 5924 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5925 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5926 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support increasing protections for shorebirds and sea turtles beyond those currently proposed. The temporary restrictions that have been in place for the last 4 years have allowed the turtle nesting population to increase but without continuing those protections the gains can quickly be lost. It is important to balance the needs of wildlife and humans in our natural areas. To do so in a fair way regulations should be created based on sound, peer-reviewed science. I think the currently proposed regulations do not go far enough in protecting these sensitive areas and the wildlife that depend on them.

Correspondence ID: 5927 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

Off Road Vehicles should have no place, except on the roads, at the National Seashore. Let's not make this one more example where the right of human beings to be stupid and wasteful trumps the right to life of endangered animals. Our parks were designed to protect wildlife for those who appreciate and enjoy it, not for those who would drive slipshod all over the animals and their habitat, destroying both in the process.

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Correspondence ID: 5928 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Please protect our wildlife at all stages of their lives!

Thanks for listening.

Ilana Bar-David harpsichord instructor Stanford University

Correspondence ID: 5929 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds, and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 5930 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National

Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5931	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Save the Cape Hatteras environment for wildlife, animals, and sea creatures.						
Correspondence ID:	5932	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	How can you ever allow off shore driving. That is insane. Stupid people need to be made Aware that creatures live on the shore. How dumb can you be and who is the local authority permitting such destruction?? Only a moron would drive a truck or vehicle on the shore. Dumbasses. Stop These idiots.						
	There are certain things that should not be legislated - it is common sense.						
Correspondence ID:	5933	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do not permit off road vehicles in places where their use would be detrimental to wildlife.						
Correspondence ID:	5934	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	More land must be set aside at Cape Hatteras that is off limits to off the road vehicles. I feel this is absolutely necessary to protect the birds and animals that breed, nest and live in this area. Most off the road vehicles are very destructive to the environment, wherever they go.						
Correspondence ID:	5935	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this

plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5936 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rebecca Gignac

Correspondence ID: 5937 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Please protect wild life, don't destroy it!

Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 5938 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Times have changed, too many people ,too many are irresponcable.....

Correspondence ID: 5939 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Special regulations are fine as long as they protect the health and safety of wildlife and the people that make use of the park.

Correspondence ID: 5940 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. As an avid nature watcher and photographer I'm very involved. Piping plovers are some of my very favorite sea side companions.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened

and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5941	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the NPS's proposed overly lax regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Shorebirds including Piping plovers are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore with no limits, threatened and endangered wildlife would be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is not at all acceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5942	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5943	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						

Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5944 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Why would this even be a question? Restrict machines where nature can not get out of the way fast enough. We need to protect areas for the sanctity of all. It is not acceptable to allow pristine areas to be destroyed by the laziest of us that must ride rather than walk or run.

Correspondence ID: 5945 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Ban off road vehicles at Cape Hatteras in this day and age of internal combustion engines.

Correspondence ID: 5946 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect vulnerable wildlife and animals on the Hatteras shoreline from recreational vehicle traffic and support support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5947 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5948 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Unrestricted off road vehicle use has taken great toll on threatened and endangered shore birds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore beaches.

I suport specific enforceable science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5949 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5950 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. This proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

As a person who takes great joy in both walking our beautiful beaches and our precious wildlife, I am horrified by this plan.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5951 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There must be government regulation to protect those species of animals which are endangered, to maintain a healthy ecosystem and therefore a balanced mother earth that can survive. Offroad vehicle use is a wasteful and unnecessary recreational activity that promotes carbon emissions and destruction of wildlife. It msuts be done for future generatiions.

Correspondence ID: 5952 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Shorebirds and turtles must be protected from annihilation by the use of off road vehicles on beaches and adjacent lands.

Correspondence ID: 5953 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please consider limiting the amount of off-road vehicle transportation that occurs on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. One hundred years of human activity should not jeopardize thousands of years of natural beauty.

Correspondence ID: 5954 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please help save this vital habitat

Correspondence ID: 5955 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5956 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Living in a protected area on the coast of California, I understand the need to prevent vehicles from killing wildlife on the beach. Please stop this practice.

Correspondence ID: 5957 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please preserve Cape Harterras and our seashore refuges. All-terrain vehicles destroy too much to be allowed full access to these vital areas. Help to keep some things for future generation to enjoy.

Correspondence ID: 5958 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The coastal areas of North Carolina are exceptionally special, and they are IRREPLACEABLE. I must insist - as a resident who was born and bred here in North Carolina - that the elected representatives chosen to REPRESENT us, do just that.

The "immediate gratification" received by tearing around in destructive vehicles does not justify the damaging of precious ecosystems.

Please do your jobs. Please protect Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 5959 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please haveThe National Park Service adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. We need to be

the ones to protect these animals from any harm. It is wrong and inhumane to allow this to happen. Please take responsibility.

Thank you for your kind attention, Jennifer Deutsch

Correspondence ID: 5960 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

I went there as a child with my parents. Off road vehicles do not belong on a public beach with children.

Correspondence ID: 5961 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, As a lover of wildlife, I am concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for hearing my concerns and for your consideration of this important matter.

Correspondence ID: 5962 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLLEEAASSSE HELP!!!!

Correspondence ID: 5963 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep off-road vehicles out of Cape Hatteras National Seashore!

Thank you

Correspondence ID: 5964 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Fiona Richards

Correspondence ID: 5965 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I grew up on the Outer Banks, and feel strongly about protecting the beaches and their denizens.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5966 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: we are not the only creatures on this planet but we are the most intelligent so we should act like it and respect and take care of the other creature like we would our pets and children. That's what intelligent beings do

Correspondence ID: 5967 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5968 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This is totally unacceptable.

Fisherman and Surfers and Campers and any IDIOT with a 4x4 should not be allowed to do whatever they want in this hallowed

park.

Give them access roads unpaved and marked with flags and PROTECT these animals!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Correspondence ID: 5969 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity, and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5970 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Everyone has different interests and activities that they enjoy,, but please have the courage to stand up to a big group who do not need to ride their machines on our beaches and endanger the creatures that live there. I am speaking for those humans who love the outdoors in a natural, quiet sort of way and the animals who make their home on our planet just like we do.

respectively Jeanne Bevis Portland Or.

Correspondence ID: 5971 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Offroad vehicles are an endangerment and should be prohibited in park areas. They create noise pollution and disrupt the natural beauty that the majority of visitors crave. Please prohibit off road vehicles in Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 5972 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Humans and wildlife have to live together. Setting aside part of the coastline for wildlife is a good idea. Offroad vehicles do not need the entire coastline. We ride offroad vehicles at Oceano Beach, Pismo, California. There are parts blocked off for the birds and wildlife and other parts open to vehicles. It works, there has to be a compromise from both sides and setting aside part is a good compromise.

Thank you, Bernadine Dunne California

Correspondence ID: 5973 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support efforts to protect turtles from careless drivers

Correspondence ID: 5974 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow beach driving in this sensitive area. Not only does it destroy the wildlife that depend on this shoreline, but the entire beach is going to be trashed, and most of the animals will die because of it. The natural beauty that everyone loves about that Seashore will be gone. This is truly very sad you are even considering allowing beach driving.

Correspondence ID: 5975 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a nature enthusiast-in fact, as someone who is dependent on nature for my own survival, which all of us are after all-and a lover of Cape Hatteras, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	5976	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off Road Vehicles are unnecessary and destructive as a toy. They have no place in National Parks. We need to take responsibility for how we use this planet's resources. As a utility vehicle on a farm or ranch ORV's have a place. Otherwise they are a waste of our resources and lay waste to our environment.						

Correspondence ID:	5977	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please limit the use of ORV to protect wildlife so that the animals will exist forever for all our children & grandchildren to enjoy. ORV is a fairly senseless & useless sport and should be severely limited in its use in our national parks and preserves.						

Correspondence ID:	5978	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	There should be consideration of the lives of animals other than human beings. There is no reason in the world why there should not be restrictions on off road vehicles when they can kill life.						

God did not create this earth for the pleasure & selfishness of humans. He intended for all life to live in harmony.

Correspondence ID:	5979	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving.						

We support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by environmental groups and their advocates, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. Exactly what kind of protection is that?

It reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. Again, people's "fun" outweighs our need to protect these creatures and their environment?

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153.

If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could will rapidly decline...again. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving; don't cave to their demands and start protecting these creatures and their habitats so future generations don't have to see them in a book as an extinct species

Correspondence ID: 5980 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is imperative to protect the nesting grounds for bird and sea turtles futures.

Correspondence ID: 5981 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am in support of specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting within the National Park system. Off-road vehicles have no place in these sanctuaries of wildlife and the beauty and sounds of nature.

Please provide appropriate regulations.

Renee Harvey

Correspondence ID: 5982 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect all of God's creatures that are threatened by off road vehicles. These creatures and land are God's gift to us to cherish not destroy.

Correspondence ID: 5983 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Greetings! I just wanted to chime in my thoughts on Off-Roading on ALL beaches, especially public or nationally funded beaches. I feel that there are plenty of opportunities to off-road elsewhere. It is too dangerous on a beach where humans and non-human animals co-exist. (It also is a bit annoying.) But seriously, my main concern is for the wildlife that are delicately trying to balance their lives around us humans who keep encroaching on their terrain. Ghandi once said that you can judge a society by how they treat their animals. It's a very astute comment.

Thank you, M. Russo 512.699.6090

Correspondence ID: 5984 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife is having a hard enough time trying to survive in this society. At the very least, we could have areas marked of where the birds would be safe to build their nests. We are losing species at an alarming rate, and we need to start thinking about our life support systems and how everything is connected. As we destroy other species, we are also destroying ourselves.

Correspondence ID: 5985 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have witnessed the damage off-road vehicles cause to vegetation and wildlife in the desert. It is unthinkable that this type of devastation should prevail when it is obvious that the damage far exceeds the benefits derived from an activity that could be confined to an arena-type venue.

This "enjoyment trumps habitat" mentality is destructive.

Correspondence ID: 5986 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

After years of advocacy and litigation the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

We are merely spectators at this habitat and we should be respectful stewards of the land, not destroyers of it. Human beings are the most intelligent beings on the planet but that doesn't give us the right to stomp on all other species right to life. This type of behavior is selfish and moronic and results in more destruction of life and a complex ecosystem that is constantly being thrown off kilter because of our selfish behavior. As the most intelligent beings we have the greatest responsibility.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

The Park Service has a responsibility to protect the habit of the plants an animals that rely on it for life. Protecting the rights of those who want to ride ORV's seems trite in comparison.

Correspondence ID: 5987 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regarding Cape Hatteras National Seashore, the recent proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. Please protect wildlife from beach drivers. Don't permit ORVs to take precedence over habitat wildlife! Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 5988 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please revise regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore to protect wildlife. The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers.

Wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles are more important to the national Seashore than the access to the shore for ORVs, which are destructive and noisy. My preference would be to ban them from the park completely.

Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 5989 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 5990 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very aware of the cost to wildlife if off-road vehicles do not comply with proper regulations which will affect humans and wildlife. While it's nice to be able to drive at Hatteras and people have been doing it for decades to fish or sightsee, it's a perilous risk for shorebirds that have very few places to land, much less raise their young. Those birds have been using those beaches for centuries and were commented on by our early English etlles as early as the late 1500's (Thomas Harriot, 1585-86). Please educate the off-raoders . They don't mean any harm, they just are short-sighted.

Correspondence ID: 5991 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are plenty of other places to drive!!!!

Correspondence ID: 5992 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 5993 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLEASE PREVENT VEHICLE DEATHS IN CAPE HATTERES. THREATENED SPECIES LIKE PIPING PLOVERS NEST AND WITH VEHICLE TRAFFIC COULD DISTROY CHICKS.

Correspondence ID: 5994 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Unfortunately, many off road vehicle drivers are having too much fun to be concerned about the wildlife or the environment. These vehicles must be restricted to protect both.

Correspondence ID: 5995 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. My friends, family and I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please propose, enact and enforce sensible solutions to this important environmental problem.

Correspondence ID:	5996	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As humans, we have gained an arrogance about where we are in the overall scheme of things that never ceases to amaze me. It is as though we are the only things on the planet that matter, which is, of course, so wrong as to be completely selfishly ignorant.						
<p>Having said that, I would suggest strongly that all motorized vehicles except National Park vehicles be banned from any National Park, particular one like Cape Hatteras National Seashore. It s home to so may creatures that need the space and tranquility for their reproduction and well-being that allowing all of the various "recreational" vehicles is tantamount to execution for some species.</p> <p>We have killed off way too many species already. Please help those that are left to hold on and even increase in number.</p> <p>In Hope,</p> <p>Michael D. McGuire</p>							

Correspondence ID:	5997	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I am an avid off-roader and Environmental Scientist. Limits are imperative for ORV use in these sensitive areas and should by all means be upheld regardless of flack from ORV groups.						

Correspondence ID:	5998	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I will keep it simple and just say that it should be obvious that off road vehicles destroy natural habitat and several specific species are endangered because of these activities.						

Correspondence ID:	5999	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The birds and animals have suffered enough from hurricane Irene. Please prevent human damage to wildlife and their habitat.						

Correspondence ID: 6000 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please consider the irreversible impact on seashore life and the beach environment of unfettered access by off road vehicles. The undeniable pleasure of splashing around the beach in a powered vehicle is not worth the final destruction of life and landscape that inevitably occurs.

Sure, some limited, tightly controlled access may be feasible. But you cannot allow the unimpeded laying waste of the seashore environment just so a few selfish individuals can plow through the dunes with wanton abandon.

You cannot permit the heedless destruction of the life and environment you have been charged to protect, not if you have any personal honor at all.

Correspondence ID: 6001 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sir or Madam,

Please protect the nesting places of our wildlife along the Cape Hatteras beaches. Off Road vehicles are destructive and disruptive and their access to areas, especially preserve areas, should be limited at National Parks. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Correspondence ID: 6002 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. i support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6003 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It really is time to take a stand against off-road vehicle and four-wheeling in areas that cause severe environmental damage to danger to the reproduction cycles of the wild creatures. Sea turtles are already endangered and quickly disappearing. Please stop allowing the destruction of these areas. Most of these types of vehicles are driven by young people who don't really understand the ramifications of their actions. PLease.

Correspondence ID: 6004 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Mike Garrett

Correspondence ID: 6005 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our wildlife is precious to the envionment and needs our protection when necessary. Large vehichiles such as those mentioned have little or no place on beaches populated by wildlife and people. Please keep them out.

Correspondence ID: 6006 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6007	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

We are very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has enacted huge gains in the area. Sea turtles only created 82 nests in 2007, yet made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. However, what is strongly required is specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting and raising young.

While we strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, the Park Service plan appears to protect beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. If folks want to drive, let them drive on the roadways.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore, which is an amazing destination for quietly observing the unique wildlife residing there.

Thank you for your consideration

Correspondence ID:	6008	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I was recently in northern Wisconsin, and I was shocked to see how much ATVs had changed the landscape. I can only imagine the kind of effect they would have on a population as vulnerable as sea turtles, and the image does not look good. Please restrict as much as possible the effect these kinds of vehicles have on wildlife, and protect the reason I go to national parks in the first place - to see nature and wildlife in as pristine a condition as possible in this age.						

Correspondence ID:	6009	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I truly do not understand why you are allowing the ORV to destroy this area and the wildlife. You must put a stop to this.						

Correspondence ID:	6010	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear National Park Service: I am writing to ask you to please protect the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, one of our country's treasures. Sea turtles, piping plovers and other animals need your support for specific, factual-based protections for nesting areas and living areas for endangered animals. If these animals disappear it would be a tragedy and we need to speak for all creatures that cannot speak for themselves. You are certainly in a great position to do just that. Thank you. Mary Ann Smith Jenks, OK

Correspondence ID: 6011 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As someone who loves the shore, is inspired by the species that inhabit it, and a person who is vehemently against the disruption of delicate ocean-life ecology, I must strongly urge that actions be taken to protect the shores.

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6012 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There should be NO off-road vehicles allowed anywhere on Cape Hatteras. What's wrong with these people that they have to destroy everything in their paths -- peace, quiet, habitats, lives, etc. Let them walk!

Correspondence ID: 6013 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should be prohibited on the beaches of the national seashore parks because there is no valid reason for them to drive on the beach. I have never in many visits to Hatteras seen any vehicle driving on the beach for any reason than the pleasure of the occupants and the destruction of the shore. Their pleasure always results in the destruction of nature's balance of life. PLEASE BAN ALL OFF ROAD VEHICLES AT OUR NATIONS SHORES!!

Correspondence ID: 6014 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Heather Simmons

Correspondence ID:	6015	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Off road vehicles should not be allowed along the lands in Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Many threatened bird species rely on these undisturbed areas for nesting. There are plenty of recreational areas for off the roaders without giving them access to this vital natural resource.						

Correspondence ID:	6016	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6017	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6018 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It would seem not to be restricted to birds. What about turtle nests? Wouldn't they be endangered by these crazy vehicles, too?

Correspondence ID: 6019 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6020 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: What does it take for people to realize that we must save what is left in this world for other species or we are truly lost. Keep unrestricted vehicles off the Cape Hatteras National Seashore! This should be a no brainer. Choral Eddie

Correspondence ID: 6021 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: there are plenty of places for orv use can't we set aside this area for the protection and enjoyment of our natural beauty?

Correspondence ID: 6022 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save the wildlife. This is our only chance to save them!

Correspondence ID: 6023 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose the proposed regulations for off-road vehicle (ORV) use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore because they provide too little concrete measures to protect important wildlife nesting areas from ORV drivers. I do not think that the pleasures of ORV drivers should be a priority above protecting one of America's most great landscapes and its endangered wildlife.

I thank you for taking into consideration my views.

Sincerely,

Sarah Mabrouk

Correspondence ID: 6024 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our shores and the natural wildlife and the habitat in which they live from any more abuse. Restrict areas and keep them NATURAL! Must humans ruin everything in their path?

Correspondence ID: 6025 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: From a cost-benefit standpoint: it is MUCH cheaper and easier to preserve current endangered populations, than it would be to mandate last minute protections as species approach the brink of their extinction. Enacting overly permissive regulations now will result in 1 of 2 things:

1. extinctions, or 2. the eventual, complete lock-down of the beach to ORVs when the environmental pendulum finally returns leftward.

Take a moderate approach now, or deal with these problems for eternity. You decide.

Correspondence ID: 6026 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6028 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I writing about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your time

Correspondence ID: 6029 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras is such a precious seashore for so many species of wildlife that depend on its resources and shelter to successfully reproduce and thrive. Human activity, especially vehicular activity, is threatening this important habitat. Although policies have been put in place to mitigate the impact, further restrictions seem to be necessary to protect the beaches non-human occupants. Please continue to monitor and restrict vehicular traffic in sensitive areas and encourage visitors to take care of the delicate habitat.

thank you,

Christine

Correspondence ID: 6030 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Name: private
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Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6032 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I have vacationed there on several occasions, and am very interested in keeping the existing wildlife populations intact, and indeed, increasing.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Correspondence ID: 6033 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our wildlife needs protecting. Please pass this legislation to preserve what little natural wonders and wildlife we have left in this world.

Correspondence ID: 6034 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to protect whatever wildlife and wild lands we have left. We have done enough damage and it is time to stop being selfish. There are already tons of spots available for off roading and the shore wildlife does not have alot of options. It is not okay for wildlife to be dying so that we can keep ourselves entertained. It is time to think about the bigger picture and that it is not just us on this planet. thank you

Correspondence ID: 6035 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. Yet the

proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Instead, I suggest that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6036 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do all you can to help save the nesting places of turtles on the beech and other wildlife that habitate there. Their lives and worth to the planet are more important than a cheap thrill in an ATV, or an ORV.

There should be no question about which is more valuable.

Correspondence ID: 6037 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In order for people to enjoy our park system, we need to put the animals first. Off road vehicle use is aimed at one small segment of the people who want to enjoy our parks and catering to ORV use is very wrong. Keep the parks pristine so everyone can enjoy them.

Correspondence ID: 6038 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please save wildlife and preserve the shoreline

Correspondence ID: 6039 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife and Nature Reserves are a dwindling, irreplaceable acceset. Allowing off-road vehicles to effect these areas for animals and fellow humans alike, is counter intuitive to protecting them in the first place. Vehicles are everywhere on the planet, please allow animals and humans the ability to go somewhere without being subjected to them.

Correspondence ID: 6040 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is past time that these regulations be in place. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6041 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect wildlife at Cape Hatteras Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6042 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello and good day.

I am writing today to oppose unrestricted off-road driving of vehicles on the shores of Cape Hatteras and surrounding areas. It is ecologically unsound and creates unnecessary wearing and tearing down of the beaches upon which nature is already degrading every year. Please restrict off-road vehicles from doing further damage to the ecology of this fragile area. Thank you and have a nice day.

- patrick

Correspondence ID: 6043 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I am a frequent visitor to Ocracoke and Hatteras. I love our state's treasure, the Outer Banks, but we also have to balance our recreation with conservation and with pedestrian access. I think we have all seen the numerous ORVs driving around the beach, some without any real consideration of people OR turtles!

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration. I hope that we can all continue to enjoy the Hatteras Seashore with sensible regulations.

Erica Scott

Correspondence ID: 6044 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6045 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. If off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their habitat will be disturbed or destroyed.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

We support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Sincerely,

The Rhine Family

Correspondence ID: 6046 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The regulations proposed do little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

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I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Protecting wildlife is so much more important than allowing the use of destructive ORVs in so many areas.

Correspondence ID: 6047 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a person who purchases a surf tag in the state of Delaware I am appalled that you wouldn't restrict this activity during nesting season.

Delaware prohibits ORV on certain sections of the beach to protect the nesting birds (piping plovers), can't you do the same.

Correspondence ID: 6048 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Correspondence ID: 6049 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a citizen with concerns about shoreline wildlife. I do not think it is too much to ask that ORVs be restricted based on the specific needs of endangered and threatened wildlife populations that utilize shorelines for habitation or (especially) breeding. I request that regulations adopted for Cape Hatteras National Seashore restrict ORV or vehicle use in much of the shoreline area to preserve habitation and breeding usages for varied species. This should be done taking into account breeding seasons especially for threatened species. There is no compelling need for vehicle use on most shorelines--it is a convenience primarily for surf fishing. This usage should take second place to simple preservation of threatened species. I more frequently visit Assateague Island National Seashore. The southern end has extensive vehicle and pedestrian restrictions, particularly during the Piping Plover breeding season, and this is fully acceptable to me and I believe not onerous to the public. Of course this end of Assateague is a National Wildlife Refuge as well, and overseen by the Fish and Wildlife Service. But there is no compelling need for a constant traffic of vehicles for miles on end, on a National Seashore, given the declines and threatened nature of populations of certain species. thank you

Correspondence ID: 6050 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: keep motorized vehicles off the beach. there should be someplace people can go without the noise & destruction of motorized

vehicles. highways are built & maintained with taxpayers money for cars & other vehicles -- would anyone reasonably fight for the right of pedestrians to walk, lounge, picnic, on the highways? Parks are for quiet contemplation & family recreation. There are any places set aside for motorized vehicles; keep them off the seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6051 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting on Cape Hatteras (and other areas). Please protect the lives that depend on this land, our living legacy - please protect wildlife (and people) from vehicular traffic and its consequent destruction of life and peaceful, natural, unpolluted environments.

Correspondence ID: 6052 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Karrin Dobbe

Correspondence ID: 6053 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It's time for the U.S. government -and U.S. citizens- to get really serious about preserving our resources, both fossil fuels and natural resources such as our open spaces, wildlands, natural habitats and the biologically diverse creatures that rely on these terrains for their survival. Recreational activities that use up dwindling fossil fuel resources should -in my opinion- either be banned altogether or severely restricted and closely monitored; we simply cannot afford this kind of 'luxury' (i.e., waste) any longer...not as a nation, and not as a species.

Correspondence ID: 6054 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must protect the wildlife so future generations can enjoy them. Also the damage to the ecocycle will probably be extensive in the future if not evident right away.

Correspondence ID: 6055 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I understand government wants everyone to have fun and for children it seems government really does not know the meaning of respect of life ! No matter what form of life people need not harm those that don't seem to carry any real importance too them.

If we don't stand up and say this or that is harmful then for what is life all about but to see other things G-d has made and brought into life along with man kind. If you as our Elected Officials do not up hold all life then we are not worth the breath G-d gave all living things.

It will not matter which G-d you believe in , G-d put us all here on this earth and to honor those around us so having turtles and

birds destoried for the sake of four wheeling on a beach is harmful. Why must the public always call these things too your attention? Stop the beach killings of birds and any wild life that raise young in the sands. Learn and teach respect.

Correspondence ID: 6056 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6057 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6058 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing off-road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010, and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand off-road vehicle use across the Seashore as before, threatened and endangered wildlife will be negatively impacted, minimizing the strides that they have made over the past 4 years.

I support reasonable regulation of off road vehicles at the Seashore, but the proposed Park Service plan protects beach visitors more than it does the indigenous wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with 41 miles open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians, similar tot he plans used on other NC beaches, protecting known nesting areas for

endangered species.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore for their continued survival.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6059 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am opposed to unrestricted use of off-road vehicles on the Cape Hatteras Natural Seashore

Correspondence ID: 6060 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop the distruction of costal areas.

Correspondence ID: 6061 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6062 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The reason we have National Parks is to protect our Willd Life! To destroy it with wheels is absurd! Maybe the use of motorized vehicles should be banned from the Beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6063 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: THE JOB IS TO PROTECT THE NATURAL WORLD NOT PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THOSE BENT ON DESTROYING IT.IF DISABLED REALLY WANT TO VISIT THE AREA HAVE A SPECIAL PATH FOR THEM OR A PORTER SYSTEM WHERE THEY CAN BE CARRIED IN WITH MINIMAL DAMAGE.LITTLE BOYS WITH ADULT TOYS DON'T BELONG IN THE COMMONS THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO BE PROTECTED FOR ALL.DO A NANCY!!JUST SAY NO TO OFFROAD VEHICLES!

Correspondence ID: 6064 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is the dirtiest fuel there is. It will ruin vital boreal forests to get the stuff to the pipe line. There hjas to be a better way to supply our needs.

Correspondence ID: 6065 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6066 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife at Cape Hatteras National Seashore should be explicitly be protected, specifically the nesting sites of shorebirds such as plovers, sea turtles and other wildlife. It's hard to believe that your proposal would only protect 26 of the 67 miles of shoreline leaving the rest of the 67 miles open to unrestricted ORV use. This is unconscionable! Please protect the wildlife! Sincerely,
Carolyn Palmer

Correspondence ID: 6067 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There isn't that much beachfront left with habitat for animals. Please help to protect what little there is.

Correspondence ID: 6068 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Correspondence ID: 6069 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop it-I can't take it! Protect our creatures and our earth. Be a steward of the earth as God intended!

Correspondence ID: 6070 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Obviously, protection for what attract people is needed ! Otherwise wildlife will get greatly damaged or even destroyed by those who like it ! Please regulate !!!

Correspondence ID: 6071 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We all want to enjoy the beauty of our national parks. If some activities are detrimental to the park, they should be disallowed.

For this reason I urge you to ban off-road vehicles from Cape Hatteras National Seashore. There is no compelling reason that such vehicles should be used in a ecologically fragile location. Even if the damage could be repaired, the National Park System simply doesn't have the funds to do so. Please do not let the use of off-road vehicles ruin Cape Hatteras now and for generations to come. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6072 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Decisions should be made on the basis of need. OTVs for fun are not a need.

Correspondence ID: 6073 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposed regulations do nothing to insure protection of bird and turtle nesting areas from off road vehicles (ORVs). It is imperative that the NPS include tough regulations that will protect such nesting areas as well as protection for all wildlife in the National Seashore area. I expect the NPS to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife within the Seashore area including vehicle-free areas for wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6074 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Hervé Béard.

Correspondence ID: 6075 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a vacationer on the North Carolina coast, one thing I treasure about the shoreline is its home to diverse populations of wildlife. I believe more areas should be vehicle-free and protected from ORV under the new proposed plan to lay out protected space for wildlife at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Please revise the plan so such rare wildlife such as piping plovers and sea turtles can nest and live at Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 6076 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As A Proud Vietnam-Era Veteran, I'm Appalled and Ashamed of the National Park Service. The time is now that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6077 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please do not allow vehicles to drive on the beautiful beaches of cape hatteras. it must be kept safe for wildlife that live there

and vehicles will obviously kill some of the wildlife.

Correspondence ID:	6078	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	To limit humans and off road vehicles on the shorelines seems a small price to pay for the survival of animals that live there. People can enjoy the beaches without motor vehicles! Please help control this!						
Correspondence ID:	6079	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	This provision does not protect wildlife. Neither fowl - esp. piping plovers - nor turtles are protected. Only a small section of the shoreline is covered furthermore. An inadequate rule to be certain.						
Correspondence ID:	6080	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	This is to oppose the proposed regulation which would permit unlimited use of ATVs on National Seashore beaches. This would be a great danger to wildlife which moves on or over our beaches.						
Correspondence ID:	6081	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I think is very important for the NPS to provide protection for natural flora and fauna on all of the beaches under your jurisdiction. I see no reason why motor vehicles should not be confined to roads and parking areas. I understand that you are now considering protective regulations for Cape Hatteras and I urge you to protect this area. I worked for the NPS at the Presidio of San Francisco when it was part of the Golden Gate National Recreation area and off-road driving was never even considered. Please extend the same protection to the eastern beaches.						
Correspondence ID:	6082	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please keep the wildlife on the beaches safe!! They deserve the right to live just as we do!! It isn't right to destroy life just so someone can have some fun! Thank you for your help in this matter!						
	Sincerely, Pamela						
Correspondence ID:	6083	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I live in an area accessible to the national seashore via a State route. The speed limit is reduce during the nesting season, yet I have people speeding and passing me when driving in these areas. Once given the privilege to run their off road vehicle in the park will obey the rules? I do not believe they will. I request that the National Seashore not be opened to motorized vehicles. Please preserve our National Seashore, don't permit motorized vehicles to use it.						
Correspondence ID:	6084	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Tell me why there is such erosion for our federal agencies. The National park needs to do their job. Our smaller animals are being wiped out.						
Correspondence ID:	6085	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	"In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline." Enough Said. Thank you.						
Correspondence ID:	6086	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom It May Concern:

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. The impact of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. We all live in an intricately linked web of life on this small planet. While humans often only see one small strand of this web, the decimation of any animal population can have far-reaching, deleterious consequences for numerous other species. Humanity should be the protector of life on earth, not its destroyer.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6087 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLEASE, humans have so many ways to entertain ourselves. We don't need to endanger shore birds and turtles to have another "gimme". Shore birds and turtles only have a small area that allows them to continue their lives, breed and continue the species. Please use science-based criteria and protections for wildlife. Add additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Off road vehicle driving is NOT more important than supporting and protecting wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6088 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan & the protections it provides, wildlife has flourished in the area. Sea turtles - with just 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are recovering If ORV use across the Seashore is expanded, threatened and endangered wildlife will be impacted & once again threatened.

I STRONGLY support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, however it seems to me that the Park Service's proposed plan protects beach DRIVERS more than it does WILDLIFE - which seems backwards! Currently, the proposed plan sets aside only 26 (!!) of the 67 total miles of Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use ~ open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. This is absurd! MORE vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

The proposed regulations, as they are written, make wildlife protection optional. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE!!!

I would like to request that this plan be revised to include explicit protections for wildlife (such as current buffers, piping plovers & sea turtles) that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I respectfully request your attention to this matter & appreciate your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6089 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6090 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I want to address the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

There have been huge gains made in the protected wildlife area under the current interim plan. However, if you extend the ORV use across the Seashore, the wildlife, both threatened and endangered, could be negatively impacted.

The currently written proposed regulations are unacceptable since it makes protection to the wildlife optional. We have a responsibility to ensure protection and safety for wildlife. That is why I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but we need to protect the wildlife as well as beach drivers.

Thank you for your consideration

Correspondence ID: 6091 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a volunteer with the Santa Barbara Snowy Plover Docent Program I know how fragile the shore line habitats are for the family of Plover birds. It has been through education that this program (2001 - 2011) has allowed the beach to stay open for people and the birds. These birds are "indicator" species and are the first to leave when the habitat is being encroached - but also return when the habitat is perceived and shown to be safe and without disturbance. Plovers feast on the beach flies, we humans find annoying - allow them to do their work and continue to grace the beaches. So many places are open for humans to enjoy we need to leave open spaces for the natural world - animals and plants - who resided there long before we did. I urge you to make room for these important little birds in Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 6092 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. Expanding ORV use across the Seashore could seriously impact threatened and endangered wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thanks for listening.

Correspondence ID: 6093 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am writing about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for allowing off road vehicles to be used on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current setup, protected wildlife has done very well. Sea turtles, birds, and other animals are rebounding from low numbers. If you allow more off road vehicle use, they'll run over all of the nests.

Protecting only 26 miles out of 67 from ORVs for the use of wildlife and pedestrians is unacceptable. Much more of the area should be protected from ORVs. They are a minority user and should not get a majority of the area.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6094 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: sadly, beach drivers will probably cause even more damage. people will behave irresponsibly, unaware of the threat they are to babies, nests, and the entire ecosystem. we need to have strict guidelines to safeguard this remaining treasure. our responsibility as caretakers of this planet and wild life populations is no longer an option..... we have squandered our resources too long. we must do better, now!

Correspondence ID: 6095 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. thank you....Andrew Sessa.....God is watching

Correspondence ID: 6096 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please adopt regulations that protect the nesting areas of endangered wildlife. Sea turtles are one example of a species that has faced significant challenges in recent years, most notably the Deepwater Horizon disaster. These animals need their nesting places in order to repopulate and beach driving can have a very bad effect on them. Underground nests are easily crushed by the wheels of vehicles. As a pedestrian I would also like to walk on beaches without worrying about cars. Therefore I ask again, please adopt regulations that protect the nesting areas of endangered wildlife. Thanks in advance.

Correspondence ID: 6097 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Vehicles do not need to be on our beaches. Not only is it deadly for our wildlife, but only a matter of time before a person is injured or killed. Common sense dictates, keep vehicles on the streets not on our beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6098 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6099 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Due to hurricane Irene, birds and animals in the area are having a difficult time surviving. Please don't allow humans to add to that problem.

Correspondence ID: 6100 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Every State beach or wetland area should protect areas where the special species nest. This has been done on Compo Beach we I live. We mark off the area and simply prohibit foot traffic and any vehicles from disturbing the nesting areas. It could and should be done within the National Park system as well.

Correspondence ID: 6101 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Due to hurricane Irene, birds and animals in the area are having a difficult time surviving. Please don't allow humans to add to that problem.

Correspondence ID: 6102 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I understand that off road vehicle drivers would like to use the Hatteras seashore as a playground. I have visited the area. What I enjoyed about Cape Hatteras were the same things I enjoy about any beach -- bird watching, walking, swimming, beach combing, sunning, the sound of the surf -- NOT the sound or annoyance of motors. This is supposed to be a protected area for wildlife. How can you possibly open it to silly, unnecessary motor "sports." If people want to drive up and down a beach, they can go to Florida where most of the beaches are already trashed for wildlife.

Please prohibit off road vehicles at Cape Hatteras!

Correspondence ID: 6103 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please, don't allow any kind of car or vehicle to use Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Threatened species rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Also these cars are just an unpleasant and unnecessary factor in a nature park.

Correspondence ID: 6104 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is extremely sad that this country feels no obligation to protect our wildlife from the people of this country who only care about themselves and care nothing for the wildlife and wilderness they are destroying daily. Personal pleasure appears to take the forefront before protecting our wildlife and habitat areas from destruction. There should be laws prohibiting people from destroying the wilderness areas from offroad vehicles which have no business being there. Since people apparently have little conscience for protecting animals, birds, and habitat from the destruction they cause, they should not be permitted access to these areas with vehicles that cause destruction. Isn't it about time the people who are supposedly in positions to prohibit destruction of our national treasures do their jobs and make laws that protect our country? Let's put a stop to further destruction of our country by self centered people who have no conscience and care little for the animals, birds and habitat they are destroying with their offroad vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6105 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Julie Kersey

Correspondence ID: 6106 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I write to urge you to strengthen the proposed permanent rules for off-road vehicle access to Cape Hatteras National Seashore. For the 3 years (2007-2010) that temporary restrictions were in place, protected sea turtles created nearly twice as many nests per year than created before the restrictions. The proposed permanent restrictions should be at least as strong as the temporary restrictions that led to this dramatic improvement. This national treasure belongs to all of us to share and protect, and it should not be ruined by abuse by a few. barry lentz

Correspondence ID: 6107 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom It May Concern: Please be more cognizant of the environment on the Cape Hatteras national Seashore. Keep the motor traffic off the beach--why have a beach if you are going to have vehicles tearing it up. There is also much wildlife using this as a sanctuary to live and have their families. this is not a national park but a speedway and I as a citizen request this beach be closed to the dune buggies, OTRs, etc. I have seen the damage they do, let alone the wildlife they kill.

Thank you.

Bonnie Bromley

Correspondence ID: 6108 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6109 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: What kind of people find pleasure in knowingly harming animals with their vehicles? Where else are you allowed to do that? There are millions of miles of roads in this country, why do we have to let "off roaders" destroy natural landscapes and delicate eco systems? They act like spoiled children who want everything their way. Please do not miss this opportunity to protect this area for everyone.

Correspondence ID: 6110 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6111 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to express my concern about the impact and consequences of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on Cape Hatteras' seashore's beaches.

Specifically, I am opposed to unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife; however, proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers, and it reserves only 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

Therefore, I urge you to support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6113 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Beach driving should not trump protecting the environment and wildlife. Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.

Correspondence ID: 6114 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6115 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our precious animals on and off land..

Correspondence ID: 6116 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration. David Krantz

Correspondence ID: 6117 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please help protect wildlife by restricting vehicles at cape hatteras

Correspondence ID: 6118 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6119 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

Correspondence ID: 6120 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please, no off road vehicles on cape hatteras national seashore..

Correspondence ID: 6121 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I wonder how they'd feel if we all took 4-wheelers and ran through their back yards?

Correspondence ID: 6122 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6123 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Motorized vehicles do not belong on the beaches, period.

Correspondence ID: 6124 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please strengthen your regulation to protect wildlife nesting areas. Please have it include specific measures to protect wildlife from ORV drivers. Also, please have it include the entire 67 miles of Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6125 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6126 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save the environment in a responsible way that benefits both humans and the natural life that inhabit it.

Correspondence ID: 6127 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

As guardians of this planet it is THE RIGHT THING FOR US TO DO.

Correspondence ID: 6128 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Be careful of your wildlife

Correspondence ID: 6129 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support enlarging the area offlimits to ORV use at the Hatteras National Seashore. I have seen firsthand the damage caused by these vehicles and I fear for the fragile ecology of the area.

Correspondence ID: 6130 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow beach driving on Cape Hatteras. People who visit the park do so to enjoy the scenery and wildlife, not to tear the place up in off-road vehicles. There are plenty of places that people can go and do that already. There is no need to make this national park another spot. Not to mention the fact that it is harmful to the wildlife that lives in the area. All you need are some protected birds to land outside of a "no-driving zone" to be hit and killed. Not to mention the fact that most motorists do not abide by the rules anyway. It will be a sad day if you allow beach driving.

Correspondence ID: 6131 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration. Greg Helms

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6133 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect our beautiful North Carolina coasts from off-road vehicles!

Correspondence ID: 6134 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Tara Messer

Correspondence ID: 6135 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the wildlife on our sea shores from being killed due to unregulated Off Road Vehicles. We must protect our

wildlife before it is too late!

Correspondence ID:	6136	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	There is NO reason for driving on a beach, or dunes. Leave cars in the parking lot, protect our wildlife, and encourage our overweight population to get out and WALK!! Thank you!						
Correspondence ID:	6137	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.						
Correspondence ID:	6138	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We must protect wildlife in sensitive areas. In our travels we have where observed off-road vehicle tracks indelibly and forever spoil sensitive areas. No one has the right to kill wildlife senselessly or spoil sensitive areas forever.						
Correspondence ID:	6139	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						
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	Thank you for your consideration.						
Correspondence ID:	6140	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						
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Correspondence ID: 6141 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must co-exist without harming other creatures or the environment. There won't be any second chances to get this right. Animals must be protected from man's thoughtless, abusive, destructive, and greedy attributes.

Correspondence ID: 6142 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: these recreation vehicles are an abomination...

Correspondence ID: 6143 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Please enact regulations prohibiting or limiting beach driving in nesting areas.

Thank you,

Diane Thompson

Correspondence ID: 6144 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect our coastlines !

Correspondence ID: 6145 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This is a no brainer. You must control the shoreline from the use of off road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6146 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect coastal wildlife nesting areas are remove ORVs. They have no place with their noise and destruction in our public

wild places.

Correspondence ID: 6147 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please sharply limit the use of off road vehicles in shoreline areas. These spots should be protected for wildlife and the quiet enjoyment of walkers and hikers. ORVs disturb both the environment and the quiet associated with shoreline areas. ORVs should definitely not be given majority use of these areas due to their noise, air pollution and destructive damage.

Correspondence ID: 6148 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the birds and other wildlife and do not allow vehicles in this area.

Correspondence ID: 6149 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect wildlife by denying unrestricted vehicle access to Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6150 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thanks for listening.

Correspondence ID: 6151 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Correspondence ID: 6152 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Don't let a minority of noisy polluters kill precious wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6153 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help preserve our wildlife by preventing the destruction of their habitat. We are provided with lesson after lesson about how we all suffer when we allow our careless selfishness to adversely impact ecosystems. Counting on you to make a difference and protect our future.

Correspondence ID: 6154 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do not allow off-road vehicles to destroy our wildlife by damaging our seashores.

Correspondence ID: 6155 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our national parks are the last vestige of nature left. don't allow off road vehicles or anything else destroy what little bit of nature we haven't already destroyed.

Correspondence ID: 6156 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6157 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Monica Lundy

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Name: private

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Correspondence ID: 6159 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please keep vehicles off the beaches. Thanks, Joe

Correspondence ID: 6160 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Preservation of the birds is critical to the life and culture of nature and people. Please adhere to that which you know is proper and correct.

Correspondence ID: 6161 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the nesting areas of our birds! We have plenty of space for entertaining ourselves on sand dunes and lakes without having to destroy or disrupt nesting areas, too. Thank you, Tama

Correspondence ID: 6162 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Wildlife are not the only visitors to Cape Hatteras to be detrimentally affected by insufficiently restrictive ORV use policies. When vacationing at the seashore, long quiet walks on the beach are one of my family's favorite activities. The presence of ORVs on the beaches is not only a distraction from this quiet enjoyment, it completely ruins the atmosphere of being in a natural setting and negates the sense of peace with nature that we come to the beach to experience. Please preserve the peace of Cape Hatteras for all visitors, human and wildlife alike, and do not acquiesce to pressure from the special interests of ORV drivers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Charlene Sipe

Correspondence ID: 6163 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save our wildlife and save our planet

Correspondence ID: 6164 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence ID: 6165 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please give some thought to the protection of wildlife. It's short-sighted to ignore the obligation to protect our environment now and for future generations to come.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6166 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am opposed to unrestricted use of off-road vehicles that may harm natural wildlife. Please be careful to protect our wildlife while promoting tourism.

Correspondence ID: 6167 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Mississippi protects their beaches.

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Name:	private						
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Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all but 5 miles of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area except for a 5 mile stretch which is the least important to wildlife to be determined by a biological survey

should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close most of the Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I am delighted that the national park system is taking steps to limit ORVs on our shorelines. But please consider amending the current proposal. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Thank you for your consideration.						

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	This action is way overdue. Only emergency vehicles should be allowed. Simply put, BEACHES ARE NOT ROADS FOR ANY KIND OF TRAFFIC OTHER THAN PEOPLE AND ANIMAL.						

Correspondence ID:	6176	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There s no place or space acceptable to recreational or any powered vehicles within a seashore ecosystem. Vehicles traversing through such systems destroy most if not all functions associated with such natural systems. i.e. the result of such activity would include 1) rutting and severe disturbance of the surface soil and the vegetation and organic litter, 2) surface drainage would be empaired via compaction and erosion and gulying would be triggered by the rutting, 3) the steady loss of vegetation and soil would severely impact all wildlife - feathered, furred, and scaled by eliminating foraging and nesting opportunities, and 4) the noise confusion, and pollution created by constant vehicle operations will render the area unfit for any other type of park users while creating a liability for any park users.

In short, the proposed opening up Cape Hatteras Seashore to inappropriate vehicular / ATV use is contrary to the public interest and clearly a bad idea. The proposal should be rejected for all time.

Correspondence ID: 6178 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have been visiting the Outer Banks since the '60's. In that time i have witnessed first-hand the destruction caused by offroad vehicles on the beaches & the dunes. There are a very few individuals who show respect for the life of creatures or the plant life once they get on the sand. Please consider restricting the access given to vehicles on these precious stretches of beach & protect these creatures who cannot protect themselves.

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Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: If you cannot afford to replace a resource, is not only foolish to destroy it, it's dangerous.

And it's a shame that America's park goers need adult supervision, but that's exactly why we have a Park Service.

Any discussion of compromise between preservation and the desire of the public for convenient recreation is misguided.

No NEEDS to destroy our children's birthright to be happy.

Since no expenditure can undo extinction, there is only one means of earning the privilege of enjoying our nation's undeveloped or preserved landscapes; and that's walking in, carefully.

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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I am an entomologist and travel regularly to the coast with my family to watch and enjoy wildlife and pass this passion on to my children.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Human actions are taking huge tolls on nature. Please take what steps you can to ensure we have shore species for many years to come.

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Robin Blum of North Hills, CA

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I think it is very important to keep in mind that we share the earth with creatures that depend on our stewardship. Please be sure to keep that in mind when partitioning coastal North Carolina. Nature walks and being able to observe the wildlife that lives there will affect more people than those that wish to make the area their personal "sand box". thank you for considering my comments.						
Correspondence ID:	6188	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We need to quit destroying our beautiful earth and its creatures.						
Correspondence ID:	6189	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please restrict the use of ORV at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore in order to protect wildlife. Perhaps funding can also be put toward creating healthy recreation opportunities for the public. Driving fossil-fuel consuming vehicles around for fun is not healthy for any of the parties involved.						
Correspondence ID:	6190	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We all need to save all the species of animals.						
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THank you Denise Rose

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The park service must act to protect wild life. This is especially true for wild life nesting areas. If motorized traffic is allowed to run free in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore area we will loose much of the wild life that depend on the area to nest.

Correspondence ID: 6194 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6195 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Personally, I despise the use of any off-road vehicles anywhere on public land. They do so much damage, are noisy, dangerous, loud and sometimes smelly. But near the shore they are particularly damaging. Please Don't let them tear up our public spaces any longer. Thank you.

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Thank you for your consideration. Anna F. Tangi

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Scott Fay

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs But does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers.

And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. please stop...wildlife needs protection..

Correspondence ID: 6199 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please give the sea turtles and piping plovers safety by not allowing vehicles in their nesting places.

We need to protect our wildlife, its all we have. God gave us these creatures to enjoy not to wrecklessly destroy. Do we really need to have vehicles on the beaches anyway?

Thank you for your consideration in keeping Gods creatures alive and well.

Diane Moon

Correspondence ID: 6200 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Take action now!

Correspondence ID: 6201 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please limit the access of offroad vehicles to protect the shoreline flora and fauna of our fragile environments.

Correspondence ID: 6202 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help save our wildlife from further distruction. The wildlife belong here too. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6203 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our parks should be a sanctuary for wildlife as well as people

Let's respect their need for a quiet, safe environment and stop the use of invasive vehicles of all kinds

Cara O'Neill

Correspondence ID: 6204 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6205 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 6206 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6207 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must speak for those who can't. The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas at Cape Hatteras.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. We are letting the Park Service know instead that we support specific,

enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6208 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6209 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6210 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does

wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6211 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6212 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles have caused much damage in many locations. It would be better to have designated areas for off road vehicles, and otherwise make them illegal. The amount of damage they create to ecological systems is significant.

Thank you.

Heide Doss

Correspondence ID: 6213 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do not allow driving on any beach. It destroys them and all the little creatures dependent on them. Cars and ATV's belong on roads and not on sand.

Correspondence ID: 6214 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I see no reason why a fence can't be placed around the birding nesting area. Off-road vehicles should be given tickets when trespassing on bird nesting areas.

Correspondence ID: 6215 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Enough is Enough....

Correspondence ID: 6216 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6217 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am extremely concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6218 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Correspondence ID: 6219 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop off road bikes.

Correspondence ID: 6220 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please continue to protect wildlife by restricting off road vehicles year round where wild life are in need of protection. I would actually prefer that no off road vehicle be allowed on the beach as they are destructive to the whole beach in environment but I understand that this constuience must be accomodated but not at the expense of our wild life particularly the nesting of turtles.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity for this input.

Correspondence ID: 6221 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6222 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am a resident scientist at Old Dominion University and part of a family that owns a rental property in Rodanthe, North Carolina. We spend many weeks on the Outer Banks as a family each year and rent our beachhouse whenever we are not there to make extra income. We are greatly invested in promoting the local tourist economy of the Outer Banks BUT we strongly support firm regulation of ORVs on Cape Hattaras National Seashore.

Any expansion of ORV within the Seashore would be detrimental to wildlife, which also bring in tourist dollars to the area. Indeed, our family frequently bring our guests to the Pea Island Wildlife Sanctuary, Buxton Woods and other Nature Conservancy properties in the area, as well as taking part in the annual "Wings Over Water" bird watching festival. If ORV access is increased, it will have a measurable impact on wildlife, and directly on the ability of residents such as ourselves and visitors to enjoy the natural beauty of the Outer Banks. Indeed, as ORV use has been recently curtailed, sea turtle nesting sites have increased remarkable, from just 82 nests in 2007 to 153 in 2010. We would certainly hate to see those numbers reversed just so that a portion of the visitors to the Seashore could enjoy ORV. Beach driving is not the "typical" way that the majority of visitors and residents seek to enjoy themselves and really detracts from the ability of others to enjoy the beauty of the area. We CANNOT afford to risk our wildlife or our beautiful beaches and we certainly CAN afford to set aside much more than the proposed 26 out of 67 total miles to be vehicle free year-round. The Cape Hattaras National Seashore has been through a lot this summer from Hurricane Irene and no doubt concerns about scaring away tourism and recreation dollars are high. PLEASE see that by preserving wildlife and beach areas from off-road vehicles, you would be preserving the very nature of what makes the Outer Banks special!

Correspondence ID: 6223 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Having visited there, I value the importance of protecting this vulnerable area.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007,

made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. Expanding ORV use across the Seashore threatens endangered wildlife.

I support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6224 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I want to say that I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife, also additional vehicle-free areas for nesting while these beautiful creatures are still part of our lives.

Correspondence ID: 6225 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6227 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do NOT allow off-roading to destroy Cape Hatteras and the wildlife that live in this refuge.

Correspondence ID: 6228 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As someone who has worked for the past fifteen years to save sea turtles, I am dismayed to learn that you may be changing the measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. What a tragedy that would be!

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

PLEASE do not give in to ORV advocates who want the entire seashore open to beach driving. It is simply NOT necessary, and would cause immeasurable harm to the wildlife.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Correspondence ID: 6229 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: stop the off road vehicles that are KILLING wild life... What is wrong with you all? They need to be protected! ENOUGH PLEASE FROM WESTERLY RHODE ISLAND FROM A LOT OF US HERE WANT IT TO PLEASE STOP> THANK YOU

Correspondence ID: 6230 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: A necessary protection in light of the damage recently done.

Correspondence ID: 6231 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop letting drivers kill wildlife. They should go to jail for this.

Correspondence ID: 6232 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to protect our beautiful resources. People can live without their all terrain vehicles. These places must be left for all beings to enjoy not just for human enjoyment and selfishness.

Correspondence ID: 6233 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect shore birds and turtles by restricting beach driving in and around areas where these animals nest. Driving on these beaches is not necessary, and it's important habitat for animals. Please revise your plan to provide more vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. thank you

Correspondence ID: 6234 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6235 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers and turtles rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. The 3 year temporary protection of turtles doubled their nests. But if we do not maintain this protection, we know the numbers will go right down again. Please please hear me. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Lets make sure that everyday, we live and act consciously, for the animals, the environment and our children.

Sincerely, Dr Lisa Apramian, Ph.D.

Correspondence ID: 6236 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Just because they purchased these off road vehicles does not meant they should be allowed to drive them anywhere. We have the same problem here in Minnesota with ATVs ruining our wetlands.

Correspondence ID: 6237 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please give sea turtles a chance to nest. Restrict off-road vehicles on the shores of Cape Hatteras. Sea turtles depend on your regulations to protect them. Humans must stop being so species-arrogant and respect the right of other creatures to survive.

Correspondence ID: 6238 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles do not belong in sensitive seashore areas any more than they belong on beaches used by us. The wildlife living along the seashore needs a break. Between oil spills and garbage washing up on shore, they have a hard time nesting and raising their young. As we pursue more offshore drilling, we need to do what we can to protect these sensitive areas and the creatures that inhabit them from other dangers. I hope that this will be taken into consideration. Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6239 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We are encroaching on all our ecosystems with our mindless pursuit of pleasure.

Correspondence ID: 6240 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I submit that the proposed regulations on ORVs at Cape Hatteras National Seashore are not strong enough.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-

round and seasonal beach driving.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife, and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting at Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6241 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We should prevent all motor vehicles from riding on any beach, except emergency lifeguard vehicles. Also private homes should only be allowed no closer than 1 mile from the beach to prevent flood damage from hurricanes and allow beach users to enjoy unspoiled access to the beach without having to look at the ugly backyards of homeowners. The right of the public to enjoy the beach is more important than homeowners to selfishly build their homes close to the beach and ruin the public enjoyment.

Correspondence ID: 6242 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6243 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6244 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please DO NOT allow off-road vehicles at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

People do not NEED to use off-road vehicles at the Seashore. The fact that one owns an off-road vehicle DOES NOT entitle people to go out and find some fragile ecosystem to rip apart in pursuit of brief joyriding entertainment. They do not need to do this; however, the species they disturb and kill in this pursuit DO NEED this land to live!

Correspondence ID: 6245 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the wildlife BEFORE you take action!!!

Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6246 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6247 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

The National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore worries me.

Protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area due to the current interim plan. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

The Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Wildlife protection should not be optional! Please revise this plan to include explicit protections for wildlife that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6248 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a frequent beach user and a concerned citizen, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6249 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. This is such a waste of habitat and ruins the beauty of the shoreline. These birds, turtles, and other wildlife have every right for a healthy environment. Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 6250 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Thank you for your consideration.

Jami Walkins

Correspondence ID: 6253 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Please do not allow off road vehicles to drive in these critical areas.

Thank you for considering my comments on this important issue.

Correspondence ID: 6254 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife nests near Cape Hatteras need as much protection as adult wildlife. Sea birds and turtles are among our most vulnerable species.

Correspondence ID: 6255 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Offroad vehicles often bring out the *worst* in people on regular roads let alone in wild areas where there are even less rules and less human eyes to see bad behaviors.

Correspondence ID: 6256 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The human population keeps squeezing wild life out. This needs to stop. The more wild life we lose the human race will ultimately lose. Once it is gone it is gone. A picture of the past really does not do any good for that animal.

Correspondence ID: 6257 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6258 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We do not need LESS government protection of our environment. We need MORE government protection. Please keep these destructive machines off the Cape Hatteras National Seashore and ALL other US wildlife areas unless they have a trail specifically designed, maintained, and monitored for ATVs. Why we, the majority who do NOT drive ATVs, should have to beg for protection from the tiny minority who do drive them is just plain stupid. Clean water. Clean air. Protected species and special habitats. This isn't rocket science. It's survival science and we'd better start getting smarter.

Correspondence ID: 6259 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you for your consideration,

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6261 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off road vehicle use so that vehicles do not threaten species that dwell in the area. They count on humans to exercise humane judgment when their protection is at stake. We all must act humanely and intelligently to protect these magnificent creatures that give us so much beauty.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

Sydney Stansbury, Ph.D.

Correspondence ID: 6262 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We really need to pay our attention to our environment, and all life within our environment, more then ever, we really have run out of time. It is now time to work together, government and citizens to make a strong stand, and come to terms of agreements, and then follow through!

Correspondence ID: 6263 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I had the pleasure of visiting the National Seashore last summer. It was wonderful to see the roped-off areas for nesting. We are supposed to be stewards of the earth and its inhabitants. We need to take that responsibility seriously. With Hurricane Irene just being the latest to wreak uncontrollable damage to our seashores, the damage of off-road vehicles CAN and MUST be contained

Correspondence ID: 6264 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6265 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-

round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID:	6266	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Only Park Services vehicles should be allowed.						

Correspondence ID:	6267	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.						

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now.

Please do not allow vehicles on our shores/beaches.

Correspondence ID:	6268	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The health of the beach and it's wildlife is far more important than being able to drive up and down it. Stop driving on the beach!						

Correspondence ID:	6269	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6270	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please work to ensure Cape Hatteras National Seashore is protected. There should be no motorized vehicle use allowed.

Correspondence ID: 6271 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly request that you support restricting off road vehicles from these areas thereby protecting threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles. There surely is enough road for these vehicles without the need to drive in these areas. Thank you for your consideration in supporting this needed protection.

Sincerely, Sylvia Newsom

Correspondence ID: 6272 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

As someone who enjoys driving off-road, I can understand others points of view. At the same time - it seems irresponsible at best to allow this to become a rule. I have seen firsthand what others can do to the beach - as a former resident of both Oak Island, NC and Carolina Beach, NC.

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Thanking you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Paul Wright

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6273 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I would like to comment about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The regulation has me very concerned.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan does not do enough to protect wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6274 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Unrestricted off-roading is rapidly killing wildlife and destroying Cape Hatteras. Please protect this national treasure from ORV use and preserve it for all Americans and generations to come. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6275 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We love the Outer Banks and think any vehicle traffic should not be on our sand dunes!

Correspondence ID: 6276 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a bird feeder, bird watcher and bird lover.

There is no reason that a carefully selected area for riding cannot be created. Users should be charged a fee for its use.

Humans and animals can co-exist, although humans do not seem to think so. There is money to be made in limited eco-tourism.

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The regulations that are proposed are nothing but loophole regulations. They are not providing the protections that are needed and required for the preservation of wildlife. Simply because a large volume of people prefer to destroy wilderness in the name of 'fun', does not mean they should be catered to.

Correspondence ID: 6278 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There is no reason vehicles need to be on beaches. So many species have become threatened or endangered due to the encroachment of man. Sea turtle numbers as well as many shore birds are already in decline. Are world becomes poorer in every way when we lose habitat and the amazing plants and animals that inhabit them. Please stop vehicles in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6279 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: In case you haven't noticed, we are destroying our planet at an alarming rate. Allowing ORVs to tear up the beaches is yet another example of that destruction. DO NOT allow them on the beaches!

Correspondence ID: 6280 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate the joys of off-roading as well as anyone else. However, I think it's not appropriate to allow it when it starts encroaching on the habitat of wildlife. Please do not allow ORV to use the stretches of beach that are home to native birds and other animals.

Correspondence ID: 6281 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a birdwatcher and one who enjoys wildlife watching of all kinds I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Wildlife of all kinds are under constant assault by people and, in many cases, the threshold is on the horizon that many species will likely be unable to recover from the onslaught by humans. Every where you turn, wildlife is being driven to the brink with little or no concern by those in "power" to halt it. ORV use is a terribly destructive activity to shorebirds, sea turtles and other marine and wildlife that have been squeezed from the last few niches we've "allowed" them. A National Seashore is NO PLACE for ORV use! Futhermore, the noise alone from these vehicles disrupts the enjoyment of anyone visiting any parks.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Have we become so lazy that we have to drive across the sand to get to the beach. Really??? Save wildlife and make the lazy fools walk!

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Correspondence: Please save Cape Hatteras wildlife. The birds, their nests, and their chicks can be disturbed or die. This beautiful place has been there forever and it needs to be protected at all costs. This must be explicitly protected under the Park's Service plan. If a bird runs into the wrong place, they can be killed and we must care for them and be responsible for them. I support specific, enforceable, science-bases protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free area for nesting. We must remember, above all things, that God created beautiful places like this for us to be responsible for and to care for. Not to destruct and destroy. It is for persons to enjoy and love. In my opinion, there should not even be vehicles on Cape Hatteras. I know you will make the right, responsible, decisions regarding this lovely place.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	For the protection of sea turtles, shore birds and other wildlife please restrict ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. This beautiful barrier island should be much more than just a sand pit for noisy toys. While it is not a wilderness area, it nevertheless depends on its wild land and wildlife qualities for much of its appeal to people as well as wild creatures. Please don't allow one group of users to destroy those values.						

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please do not allow unrestricted access for ATV's and other motorized vehicles on beaches and areas where wildlife such as birds and turtles are living and nesting. These creatures have already experienced much disturbance and need to be protected more thoughtfully.						

Thanks, Barbara

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Please note that I'm strongly opposed to unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

We, the US, are in the habit of destroying our natural resources and wildlife for the sake of any idiot who wants to play road warrior with his ORV, speed boaters and other morons.

It is way past time to preserve our shores and our wildlife!

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Correspondence ID: 6299 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please DO NOT expand ORV use across the seashore which endangers the wildlife there.

Please revise the plan to protect the wildlife that rely on the seashore for survival.

Correspondence ID: 6300 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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I personally prefer a complete ban on ORV use in the park.

Correspondence ID: 6302 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do not allow unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Correspondence ID: 6303 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The creatures there can cope with hurricanes, but not the pounding and disruption of vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6304 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Estimados Señores: Muchos animales no reconocen el peligro que supone para ellos las carreteras por lo que las cruzan o andan a lo largo por ellas sin tener ningún tipo de precaución. No tienen la conciencia o la programación dentro de ellos que estos pasos son para vehículos y que corren un peligro de muerte. Por lo que aprovecho esta oportunidad para pedirles que limiten el tráfico de este paraje tan privilegiado y que sean los animales humanos quienes utilizando su inteligencia cedan y pongan coto a otros humanos en favor del resto de los animales. Esperando y afirmando que su decisión sea la correcta para la vida animal. Atentamente les saluda, Ana Saracho

Correspondence ID: 6305 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop off road vehicles from threatening seashore life.

Correspondence ID: 6306 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Mankind's true moral test, its fundamental test (which lies deeply buried from view), consists of its attitude towards those who are at its mercy: animals."

--Milan Kundera

Correspondence ID: 6307 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray

Please make specific regulations to keep ORV's out of wildlife areas, especially nesting areas of birds and turtles. If the ORV's are allowed to enter these areas, we could see the disappearance of piping plovers, sea turtles and many other species that depend on the seashore for nesting.

More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you Mavis A. Townsley a concerned citizen

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please strengthen your regulations to provide more protection to birds and wildlife in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The regulations as proposed do not offer enough protection from off road vehicles for the birds and wildlife, in particular for nesting sea turtles, to assure their continued sustainable numbers. The scientific data collected during three years of substantial limits on the use of such vehicles on the beach have established that these creatures can do well and increase their numbers when they are not facing death and destruction of their nests from such off road vehicles. We have visited this area in the off season, and found it an example of the wonder and beauty to be found in a natural seashore setting. Allowing off road vehicles is not only damaging to the birds and wildlife, but is very disruptive of the experience for human visitors as well, with the noise and pollution created by these vehicles. It is your job to protect this ecosystem, not only for the birds and other creatures who live there, but for those of us who get to experience the quiet, natural beauty of such a setting only occasionally. We also visited Tortuguero, in Costa Rica, earlier this year, and found that country totally committed to protecting their Caribbean beaches in this area for the benefit of endangered sea turtles. The National Park Service should do no less for the people of this country. In such areas that have been designated as special, to protect the essential wilderness character of such places for the benefit of all citizens, all activities of such citizens are not created equal. Allowing the use of off road vehicles in such special places diminishes the experience for everyone else, as well as threatening the lives of the creatures who live there. Please strengthen your regulations and prohibit the use of off road vehicles on the beaches of Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID: 6310 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am asking the Park Service support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting wildlife. I do not agree with allowing unlimited off road vehicle usage. It is short sighted and of poor judgement, in my opinion.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. The current proposed regulations do not do this. We need specific, enforceable, science-based protections.						

Correspondence ID:	6314	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	This type of recreation is non-compatible and should not be allowed.						

Motorized play/recreation should not be at the sacrifice of a beach environment nor wildlife.

Correspondence ID:	6316	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am deeply concerned about the NPS's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
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Thank you, Diane Johnson

Correspondence ID:	6319	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
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Correspondence ID: 6320 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please regulate and restrict the use of off-road vehicles which threaten sea turtles, shore birds, and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6321 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I urge you to support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you very much for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6322 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom It MAy Concern I am disturbed to learn that vehicles are allowed access to critical habitat for breeding sea turtles and the piper plover and other species of plants and animals that habitate at Cape Hatteras National Seashore . Don't human beings have enough land mass already that has been designated roadway or otherwise become used as de facto roadway? While I understand the need for balance in any decisions regarding public lands, does this preclude rationality and reason? It is abundantly obvious that animals and cars don't mix, just take a drive on any road and you will see who wins and who loses when the two are combined. I urge you to follow your mandate which is to protect our heritage for future generations. Allowing cars in areas where we know various and essential species live and breed is both unnecessary and destructive. I hope that you will make reasoned decisions regarding the future of the sea turtle, the piper plover, and for that matter, the future of a viable and diverse ecosystem. I urge you to severely limit access to vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6323 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to oppose any use of offroad vehicles which will threaten sea turtles or any other wildlife; this vehicle use must not be allowed.

Correspondence ID: 6324 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Decision Maker-

i am commenting regarding Special Regulations, Areas of National Park System: Cape Hatteras National Seashore Document ID: NPS-2011-0005-0001 Document Type: Proposed Rule

I believe it is IMPERITIVE that agencies prioritize legislation that protects wildlife and thier habitat from human activity.

Animals can not advocate for themselves. Laws need to protect and preserve diversity out of both compasion for all creatures and leaving a healthy planet for future generations. Humans have choices--it is not a necessity to drive ATVs.

Sincerely, Patty Weyhrich

Correspondence ID: 6325 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protecting our native wildlife should be a higher priority than pleasing adventure seekers.

I support the new rule.

Correspondence ID: 6326 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the oppportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6327 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I urge you to mandate specific measures to protect wildlife in Cape Hatteras from beach drivers. Much more of the beach should be set aside for pedestrians and wildlife exclusively. ORV use should be eliminated or kept to an absolute minimum, far from wildlife nesting areas.

ORV use benefits a very small number of people. A pedestrian- and wildlife-friendly beach benefits many more. A pristine beach is a beautiful--and increasingly rare--sight. Thriving populations of threatened birds--such as plovers--increase the value of the beach for humans and animals.

Sea turtles, piping plovers, and other shore animals have fewer places to nest than ever before. ORV use and extensive driving will decrease their numbers critically. Why would we trade the lives of these fascinating animals for a few people's driving pleasure? There are many, many places to drive.

I strongly support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and extensive additional vehicle-free areas for nesting in Cape Hatteras.

Correspondence ID:	6328	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.						
Correspondence ID:	6329	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please keep off road vehicles away from areas where birds and other wildlife build their nests or walk. Turtles would be in danger as well as shore birds and their young.						
	The wildlife has been protected up to now and they have thrived. Why do ORV need more shore to drive on? Keep the present law in force.						
	Thank you. Harriet Berson 123 Mannetto Hill Road Huntington, NY 11743						
Correspondence ID:	6330	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore; a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity & all 67 miles of shoreline. The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Please adopt regulations for on Cape Hatteras National Seashore AND protect wildlife nesting areas from ORV beach driving.						
Correspondence ID:	6331	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The time for allowing motor vehicles on any beach is over. Our natural resources, wildlife and oceans and beach are being put into jeopardy. Much wildlife is destroyed,turtle nests and birds.Another fact is motor vehicle pollution,leaky oil,gas,and fluids on and in our water. Please do the right thing now and outlaw this. Thank you for your time Leslie Godbold						
Correspondence ID:	6332	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please protect animal wildlife.						
Correspondence ID:	6333	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please take care of wildlife. They help to keep nature at a balance. The more we destroy their habitat, the more we change our environment. I believe in the long run, it will be harmful for most organisms, especially humans.						
Correspondence ID:	6334	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please adopt regulations that restrict off-road vehicle use from the beaches and protect wildlife. It is a misuse of public land for a very small percentage of people, the ORV users, to make use of the beach unpleasant or dangerous for the vast majority of the public. It is also unconscionable that wildlife that rely on beach habitats are disturbed or injured by humans who do not in fact have a biological need to use the habitat in order to survive.						
	Thank you very much for considering my comments.						
	Sincerely, Christine Champe Wildlife Biologist						
Correspondence ID:	6335	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: When I was young, my family vacation was a trip to Nags Head each and every year. Even when I was 6, I was in awe of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Any National Seashore, but surely Cape Hatteras National Seashore, needs to be protected and preserved. NATIONAL SEASHORES ARE NO PLACE FOR ANY KIND OF VEHICLE AND NO PLACE FOR UNRESTRICTED OFF-ROAD VEHICLES (ORV).

Personally I demand that ALL ORV's be banished from the Cape Hatteras National Seashore! This is MY preserve. It is our nations preserve. PRESERVE IT! PRESERVE IT NOW!

Your proposal is a joke and does little to nothing to protect wildlife nesting areas. We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving.

Hear me loud and clear: I strongly support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. I DEMAND NO ORV'S EVER!

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Over the years I have visited many seashore habitats on both coasts in this country, in the UK and in Mexico and have seen the destruction ORV use causes in such sensitive areas. I have seen ORV users actually drive over areas where birds are nesting, destroying nests and chasing parent birds away. I urge you to stop this abuse, protect our shorebirds and deny access to these areas to ORV users by supporting specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. ORV users have plenty of places to ride that don't involve harming wildlife are disturbing and destroying habitat.

Sincerely, Susan Brandes

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. NO VEHICLES (except for emergency vehicles) should be allowed to drive on ANY beach in ANY Federal or State land!

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6343 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a supporter of wildlife and conservation of all living things I implore you to place restrictions on nesting grounds for any wildlife, especially our turtles. The recent gulf spill has reduced our numbers of all sea life, don't endanger these animals further. There are plenty of other places where Off Road vehicles can roam without endangering any wildlife let folks use those places. We need to show we are a unified National and all living creatures have a right to survive, we as humans must start making sacrifices for our wildlife. Those sacrifices are minimal compared to the possible extinction of any living creature. Help us please by keeping restrictions in place for all habitat where nesting takes place. We can do this, just remember we are the only ones who can provide sanctuary for our wildlife, we must start acting like it is just as important for their young as it would be for our own children.

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Sharon Garlena

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As I read about the possibility of off road vehicles being aloud to ravage our seashores I am deeply saddened. There are many who care not for our wildlife and our gorgeous shores and it takes brave men and woman to stand up to those who care not to preserve our ecosystems. There are many places to ride off road vehicles they do not have to ride them on our seashores and kill the nests of our wildlife who struggle to survive as it is. Please take a stand for them.

Sincerely,

Alisa Schneider

Correspondence ID: 6346 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep the park a safe haven by not allowing vehicles to park off road.

thanks, joan

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Name: private
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Correspondence ID: 6348 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a concerned citizen who advocates for conserving habitats and wildlife. I am deeply concerned about leaving Hatteras seashore to the Off-Road-Vehicle drivers with few regulations and little space reserved for wildlife.

The Parks System needs to have regulations that reflect current science and will offer protection to breeding and migrating seabirds as well as other wildlife. Off-Road-Vehicles interfere with turtle nests, bird nests, and migrating wildlife.

As someone who visits the Outer Banks at least one week every year, I see the results of overuse. I and other wildlife advocates want to continue supporting businesses on the Outer Banks and we want to continue supporting habitat and wildlife preservation.

Please restrict ORV use in accordance with scientific guidelines for wildlife conservation and management. The beaches aren't only for people! Sincerely, Janet Palmer

Correspondence ID: 6349 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing in support of protecting sea turtle and seabird nesting areas from Off road vehicles. With the temporary restrictions in place the number of sea turtle nesting areas greatly increased. These animals are pressed and threatened in every quarter. Please at least provide them a calm place to lay their eggs and the sea birds as well.

Thank you,

Sincerely, Elizabeth Beringer

Correspondence ID: 6350 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help prevent Vehicle Deaths in Cape Hatteras by stopping the drivng on beaches and shorelines.

Correspondence ID: 6351 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be permitted in areas where there is wildlife. Not only does it hurt or kill the wildlife but ruin our

land.

Correspondence ID: 6352 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please get off road vehicles off of our pristine shorelines!

Correspondence ID: 6353 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6354 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the plovers and do not permit off road vehicles. We need to let nature have a chance at survival. Thank you, Karen

Correspondence ID: 6355 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6356 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save the wildlife. I oppose off-road vehicle use.

Correspondence ID: 6357 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It off road vehicles are to continue to be allowed on the beach, at least some restrictions must be in place to prevent the destruction of wildlife and their habitat. Speed limits; Avoid areas where birds are feeding; Closure for the brief period when turtles are nesting; Avoiding plants should be the minimum in restrictions.

Correspondence ID: 6358 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It should go without saying that unrestricted ORV use in Cape Hatteras National Seashore should NOT BE ALLOWED.

There should be NO ORV USE AT ALL!

Correspondence ID: 6359 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am writing to you to express my deep concerns about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007 made 153 in 2010. This is still not a large number but the increase is welcome after such a long period of decline. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6360	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please make sure that threatened species have a protected area to nest and hatch.						

Correspondence ID:	6361	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Correspondence ID:	6362	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	For over 20 years I have been a permittee (volunteer) of the State of Florida for the monitoring and protection of sea turtles and their nests.						

I can not imagine anything more destructive of those nests and the baby turtles themselves than an off-road vehicle on the beach. Not only for sea turtles, but nesting birds and protected flora.

In other words, please not allow such vehicles on Cape Hatteras Seashore OR any other protected seashore. Armand Balll

Correspondence ID: 6363 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Aren't there already enough places for the off road folks to go on? Why go on new areas where the animals and birds are trying to raise their young?

Correspondence ID: 6364 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am extremely concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. Expansion of ORV use across the Seashore, could severely impact threatened and endangered wildlife.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but as it stands the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. I urge you to revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6365 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The concept of freedom is often misunderstood in our country. We often fail to grasp our responsibilities as parents of tomorrow and guardians of the environment. It is reckless to act in a selfish way that destroys wildlife habitat and robs others of the opportunity to experience this wonderful part of life.

Correspondence ID: 6366 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6367 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Unrestricted ORV use on Hatteras beaches is not compatible with nesting birds, sea turtles, and other wildlife that sustains our world and our souls.

Correspondence ID: 6368 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please respect and protect the wildlife inhabitants of Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6369 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: STOP, do really want to carry on?? X

Correspondence ID: 6370 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-road vehicles (ORV) and wildlife are basically incompatible. The recovery of wildlife populations on the Seashore when ORV use is restricted prove this incompatibility.

Moreover, ORVs and pedestrians are basically incompatible.

We most strongly urge that ORV use be restricted to the maximum extent possible. We strongly support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you for taking public comments and listening to ALL of your constituents.

Correspondence ID: 6371 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a person who appreciates birds, especially shore birds. It is important that greater regulations and restrictions are imposed on driving on beaches where driving would impact the breeding and maturation of young birds.

Correspondence ID: 6372 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6374 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicle use must only be done where it does not endanger wildlife or the environment. Please help.

Correspondence ID: 6375 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please have the Natural Park System do more to protect vulnerable wildlife from being killed by offroad vehicles on Cape Hatteras, especially near nesting areas!

Thank you!!!

Correspondence ID: 6376 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a North Carolina resident I am concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you allow expanded ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be adversely impacted.

The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6377 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing regarding the proposed National Park Service's proposed regulations for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The Park Service plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which I find unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you. Respectfully, Jill Allen

Correspondence ID: 6378 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ATV and off road vehicles should not be allowed in National Parks or National Forests. They are dirty, loud, dangerous and the people using them have no care for the environment or ecosystems. Let them pay to ride their vehicles on private land where they won't bother everyone else.

Correspondence ID: 6379 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off Road Vehicles in parks must be banned, or tightly regulated.

Correspondence ID: 6380 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Aloha Superintendent Murray,

I am writing about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing Off Road Vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6381 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: PLEASE LEAVE THEM SOME LAND TO LIVE ON!! PLEASE STOP HUMANS FROM TAKING OVER EVERY INCH OF LAND UNTIL NOTHING IS LEFT FOR THE WILDLIFE!!! DO YOU REALLY WANT YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN TO GROW UP IN AN OVERPOPULATED WORLD, WHERE PLEASURES TO SOME- LIKE OFF-ROADING- IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN KEEPING SOME LAND FOR THE AMAZING WILD ANIMALS WE HAVE LEFT???? HOW COULD YOU SLEEP AT NIGHT????

Correspondence ID: 6382 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I would like to ask the National Park Service to reconsider their proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. We need to make protection and preservation of wildlife a priority in our national parks, or future generations will have less reasons to want to visit them. There are lots of places for ORVs to travel, but shorebirds are limited to specific nesting areas that need to be protected.

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Correspondence ID: 6383 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: People who use off-road vehicles on the beaches are killing shorebirds and sea turtles. Please ban the use of off-road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6384 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 6385 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Create spaces for off road vehicles to be driven that do not impact the safety of wildlife. The noise and dust created by vehicles being driven on the beach also adversely effects the enjoyment of the beach by people who want to walk, play, lay on the beach and enjoy the sun, sound of the waves, the feel of the cool water.

Correspondence ID: 6386 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our wild areas should be protected from abuse by vehicles operated by careless people.

The wild animals have a right to live there, it's their habitat and we are the invaders.

Correspondence ID: 6387 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am concerned that the proposed regulation for off road vehicles in Cape Hatteras National Seashore are insufficient to protect sea turtles, shore birds, and other protected wildlife. The plan protects only 26 miles of the 67 total miles of beach from vehicle use. This is insufficient. The proposed plan protects joy-riders more than it protects wildlife. People have plenty of other places to take their polluting, dangerous, fossil-fuel burning toys other than one of the few remaining wildlife habitats left to marine animals.

Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6388 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted offroad vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds, and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6389 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. Let's make the plan permanent! In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. Many people driving these ORV's are hunters, and could care less if they kill an animal, regardless of whether it is protected. We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. We cannot continue to push wildlife out of their habitats.

Correspondence ID: 6390 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6391 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6392 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sir / Madam: I wish to urge you to not allow motorized vehicles on the National Seashore. This place should belong to nature and not be used for the destructive activities of humans. There are few enough pristine places left on this planet. Yours faithfully, Wolf Krebs

Correspondence ID: 6393 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Speak out for wildlife. Visit regulations.gov to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6394 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: OHV'S should not have unlimited access to sensitive areas where they may endanger critical species.

Correspondence ID: 6395 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Birds and wildlife are too important a part of your mission to endanger them with unregulated off road vehicles. Please keep the vehicles away.

Correspondence ID: 6396 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop the madness now, I do not want or need to live like this any longer.

"If not now, then when? If not here, then where? If not us, then who?"

Correspondence ID: 6397 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6398 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6399 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please don't allow off road vehicles on the shore lines...it will harm the wildlife and nest of chicks. Keep them away from the shore and protect the wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 6400 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must stop off road vehicles--they are destroying the natural environment so a bunch of hyped up kids can get a kick.

Correspondence ID: 6401 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom It May Concern: I am gravely concerned about the safety and long term viability of shoreline wildlife in Cape Hatteras National Seashore given the egregious loss of wildlife, there, evidently due to recreational off road vehicles.

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Correspondence ID:	6402	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.						

Correspondence ID:	6403	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Correspondence ID:	6404	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	It's very sad that off roaders have to go along beaches or coastline to enjoy themselves. They should think about wildlife that was there first.						

Correspondence ID:	6405	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

As a bird enthusiast, I feel that allowing off-road vehicles into areas where rare birds live is tantamount to declaring open season on them and their habitat.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6406 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We should not allow driving on the beaches. It is not safe for the unknowing, innocent creatures!

Correspondence ID: 6407 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not harm more animals than you already have!

Correspondence ID: 6408 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6409 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6410 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Being a resident of NC makes this issue even more pertinent & distressing.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is totally unacceptable. Please revise this plan to, at the very least, include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6411 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife in Cape Hatteras National Seashore should be protected from disturbance by people, especially from motorized vehicles that have no business driving in nesting areas or other sensitive parts of the park system! I trust that appropriate rules will be drafted to effect this protection for our birds and turtles that depend on these beaches for their survival. As a user of the seashore, I do not want to be disturbed by motorized vehicles on the beach. They belong on the roads or in the parking lot, NOT on the beach!

Correspondence ID: 6412 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6413 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep vehicles off the areas where wildlife live!

Correspondence ID: 6414 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6415 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict the use of vehicles on this shoreline. The turtles and birds are declining and their habitat needs to be protected.

Population has increased dramatically since the 70's when vehicles were first permitted and this is why we're losing our wildlife. Make people use the alternate ways to use this shoreline. What ever happened to people hiking in? Thanks for taking my comments and concerns. Sincerely, Candice C. Burgess

Correspondence ID: 6416 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: re: regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore, I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6417 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Leave animals alone!

Correspondence ID: 6418 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6419 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do all you can to protect wildlife from human disturbances

Correspondence ID: 6420 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We support protection from vehicles and vehicle free nesting areas for turtles and birds in these areas of cape hattaras where wildlife is being run over by vehicles. Humans are destroying this planet...the animals are living in harmony with nature and being destroyed because of human population and technology we have inflicted on the earth. Isn't it enough that we have become the destructors to such a severe degree? Our kind has become an evil on this planet. Let's at least try to keep some of the good alive.

Correspondence ID: 6421 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6422 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife and off road vehicles are NOT compatible!

Correspondence ID: 6423 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration. Jered Cargman

Correspondence ID: 6424 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6425 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I see many seashores in my travels. Wherever cars are allowed, wildlife is decimated. It happens over and over - everywhere from Florida to New Jersey. It is dangerous to both children and shore birds to have people driving in these areas. People just do not exhibit caution while driving on beaches. Please keep cars off as much of our National Seashore as possible.

Correspondence ID: 6426 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore is not adequate.

The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. As is, the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Alexis Heaton

Correspondence ID: 6428 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop off road vehicles needless disruption & death of coastal creatures.

Correspondence ID: 6429 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I signed this petition because I am very concerned with the welfare of wildlife everywhere and this is no exception.

Correspondence ID: 6430 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

My organization is very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Off Road Vehicles are well known to have adverse effects on ground nesting birds and other beach and dune species. It is inexcusable to allow them to roam freely anywhere in this sort of habitat except in restricted "play" areas.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6431 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Threatened and endangered shore birds and sea turtles nest here and they don't have much of a chance if the off-road vehicle use becomes common. Please consider putting sensible restrictions in place.

Correspondence ID: 6432 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Chrystal Shacklock

Correspondence ID: 6433 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do what is necessary to preserve our wildlife, there are other places available for recreation.

Correspondence ID: 6434 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save the Seashore

Correspondence ID: 6435 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am writing to express my support for additional protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The current proposal which has been put forth only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for

pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, the "temporary" plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. Under that current plan, protected wildlife are making strides in recovery. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. The plan is working. Now, if wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. And all it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife WILL be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but The Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife, treating wildlife protection as "optional", which is totally unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6436 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to protect our shores. Not drive all over them. Driving on the beach is not good for species that nest there. People are careless. I know by all the garbage they leave on our beautiful beaches. If driving on the beach is allowed, it should have very strict rules & the rules need to be enforced.

Correspondence ID: 6437 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to ask that off road vehicles be banned for use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Please do not allow the entire seashore to be open to off road vehicles. The positive steps taken in recent years by native wildlife will be threatened by unrestricted off road vehicle use.

Please ensure that the nature is protected first, and then consider the recreation of people.

Correspondence ID: 6438 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. STOP off road vehicles from driving on the shore and killing our wildlife!!!

Correspondence ID: 6439 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife Matters!

Correspondence ID: 6440 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore has been my family's favorite vacation destination for nearly thirty years. We seek out the distinct natural seclusion and beauty of the Seashore as a welcome change to the hectic development that has been allowed to overrun most of the Outer Banks.

To see the very diversity and irreplaceable wildlife so negatively impacted by unmitigated and irresponsible traffic along the beaches is heartbreaking and criminal.

My family has already begun considering alternative vacation destinations in areas that have elected for stronger protection of natural resources and wildlife. Please help keep Cape Hatteras National Seashore diverse, abundant, and protected from such unnecessary harm.

Thank you for your time,

Adrian J. Hackney

Correspondence ID: 6441 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a birdwatcher, biologist, and occasional visitor to the Outer Banks. I have sometimes observed these vehicles, mostly driven by locals, driving wildly up and down the beach area in the Outer Banks. While some drivers may be careful, I feel that most don't give a darn about the wildlife they may run over and the nests they may destroy, nor the chaos of constantly alarming both the wildlife and the more gentle human visitors to the area. It only takes one to do an awful lot of damage. The locals have been doing this for decades; I think it is time to impose more limits to the areas they are allowed in, and enforce them. The Cape Hatteras National Seashore belongs to all the people of America, not just the local residents. The beach drivers are, I think, only a small proportion of its many visitors. It is not only devastating to the sandpipers and turtles, but also to many of the visitors, and the beach drivers should not be able to ruin so many of those 67 miles that the rest of us want to enjoy, or treasure. Some of the wildlife are endangered species, also, and need our help.

Correspondence ID: 6442 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The National Seashore needs specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. What is more important vehicle use or wildlife protection? Wildlife should be the number one priority every time.

Correspondence ID: 6443 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The beach is not a road. Please keep vehicles off our beaches and protect wildlife on beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6444 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Prevent Vehicle Death in Cape Hatteras

Correspondence ID: 6445 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please support the habitat on the shoreline by banning offroad vehicles from the areas. Without our wildlife the human existence will gradually decline. We cannot survive without them. Please be part of the solution and ban offroad vehicles from shorelines to preserve the wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6446 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on Cape Hatteras National Seashore beaches. I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Wildlife needs all the help it can get and Cape Hatteras National Seashore is not the place for unrestricted ORV access. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6447 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There is no reason to have off road vehicles on the beach.

Correspondence ID: 6448 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Sir, I feel very strongly that this country can not afford this pipeline . A potential disaster that we can not afford. I do not trust the oil companies and wish that we tried to use less oil - int the long term solution to the energy crisis.

Correspondence ID: 6449 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6450 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please regulate off road vehicles to protect nesting shorebirds and sea turtles. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6451 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a biologist, hopefully writing to another biologist, I shouldn't have to tell you that National Wildlife areas are instituted for protecting the plants and animals of those areas. However, since I am having to write this letter about the Cape Hatteras National Seashore this is not the case there. Instead you are allowing off-road vehicles to damage the physical and biotic region that you are meant to study and protect. Stop allowing this to happen and manage your lands effectively and sustainably. Maybe that means telling some rednecks that they can't have fun by destroying the area but your job is to protect and improve the region for many generations, not to negotiate and be nice to people who want to abuse this area or degrade it over time.

Correspondence ID: 6452 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly urge you to ban ORV use from sensitive wildlife areas in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, especially in nesting areas for sea turtles, piping plovers and other endangered species. ORV use in these areas would have a negative impact on wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6453 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Correspondence ID: 6454 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do EVERYTHING you can to save our precious wildlife!!!!

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Restricting use is a matter of life and death for many species. Cape Hatteras is a National Seashore and the main priority of public lands is to preserve the environment of future generations, not to see how many off-roaders can destroy the habitat.

Correspondence ID: 6457 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our environment from motorized vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6458 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is sooo important to preserve fragile wild areas from WHEELS -- that tear through the gentle soil structure and uproot the plants that work to inhabit this type of area.

Nature is NOT tough enough to recover from this.

Please help take action to protect fragile areas like Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you, Pat Gottschalk

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Name: private
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Correspondence ID: 6462 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please no off road vehicles in the endangered animals breeding grounds.

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Name: private
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As someone who has visited Cape Hatteras for over 40 years as a camper at Frisco campground - I feel that there would be absolutely no loss to my enjoyment if ORV were to be outright banned. The only exception would be for emergency vehicles.

The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. However, the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, the temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

I would much rather walk quietly and leave little step marks to the entire barrier islands, however, I doubt that is now possible. After all over half the people in this country are obese - heaven knows walking would just be too much!!!!

Correspondence ID: 6465 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Restrictive off road vehicles from killing animals that depending on the shoreline to reproduce. We're endangering animals and their habitats for our recreation. Let's not be ignorant and use our common sense.

Correspondence ID: 6466 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ear Superintendent Murray,

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Correspondence ID: 6467 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife must be protected. I just can't understand how the use of ORVs could be more important than our delicate ecosystem. Not explicitly protecting wildlife is an abomination. Let's be honest, gas is running out. The use of such vehicles is already a largely unnecessary use of a dwindling resource.

Correspondence ID: 6468 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6469 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is incumbent upon us to be the defenders of defenseless wildlife who are merely striving to survive. Which, after all, is more important? That people with "toys" get to play with them or the survival of a species?

Correspondence ID: 6470 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We cannot let our national treasures and especially the wildlife be destroyed just to let off road vehicles to be allowed on the beach. Once our wildlife is gone, they are gone and can't be regained. That would be a tragedy. Please help protect them.

Correspondence ID: 6471 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Living, breathing animals (millions of years old) are more important than people's immediate pleasure (wheels). Please REALIZE THIS!

Correspondence ID: 6472 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional. This is not acceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

The proposed plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. As is, the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife.

Please protect our wildlife. Humans have lots of areas where they can drive their vehicles.

Correspondence ID:	6474	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Protection of wildlife is important in and of itself, but it is also in your best interest to protect the wildlife from unrestricted ORV use when looking at this area as a tourism resource. People do not just go to see the beach and ocean. Please give this serious consideration.						
Correspondence ID:	6475	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Save wildlife, save petroleum, if it is indeed a limited resource.						
Correspondence ID:	6476	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Why can't people be required to stay on roads with their vehicles? Isn't that what they're for? Tell the lazy bums to get OUT of their vehicles and walk the beaches. Geez, how lazy can you be?						
Correspondence ID:	6477	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Protect our seashore from off-road vehicles -- the future of sea turtles is alot more important than the leisure activities of drunken weekend warriors in their gas-guzzling Hummers...						
Correspondence ID:	6478	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Beaches anywhere are too fragile to allow motor vehicles on. Keep our beaches as clean as possible and protect the wildlife.						
Correspondence ID:	6479	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I wholly support scientifically based protections on spaces used by wildlife along water shores for nesting and breeding. Off-road vehicles are a threat to nature, wildlife and humans who choose to enjoy the outdoors without the use of a vehicle. Maintaining specific roads, or paths for these vehicles to use, leaving all other areas untouched and undisturbed for both animals and humans, would be ideal.						
	Please make these changes and develop a system to allow for an equable existence with nature and other wildlife. Regards, Priyanka Sekhar						
Correspondence ID:	6480	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	ORV use in Cape Hatteras National Seashore must be regulated for the protection of not only the plants and animals there but also for the dunes and beaches. We keep close tabs on them on our great lakes properties, not allowing them on the beach at all.						
Correspondence ID:	6481	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Let's keep vehicles on the road, not off.

Correspondence ID: 6483 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to ask you please to not allow atv's and other off road vehicles in areas where there are nesting birds and other wildlife. These animals as you know need all the help they can get in their breeding and life sustaining endeavors! There are many other areas where atv's can be used without destroying critical habitat!

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am concerned that the current proposal for the Cape Hatteras National Seashore seems to care more about people driving off-road vehicles than wildlife, including nesting birds and turtles.

During a test plan to protect the beaches for wildlife, the turtle nesting was more succesful and the population grew. Why shouldn't this successful program be continued? ATVers can go many places. It is not fair to wildlife to allow most of the beaches to be open to offroad vehicles, putting our wildlife at risk of injury, death or just too mauch traffic for them to cosider it

reasonable habitat to raise their young.

Turtles, birds and other species deserve protection in our National Parks and National Seashores.

Thank you for your consideration of my concerns for our wildlife. I would hope that the National Park Service would share my concern for the future of our wildlife.

Correspondence ID:	6486	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please be conscious and save our wildlife.						

Correspondence ID:	6487	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Sir,						

As someone who works with wildlife as well as being a keen off-road driver, I am aware of many of the problems caused by irresponsible off-road driving.

I understand that you are taking comments on the Special Regulations, Areas of National Park System: Cape Hatteras National Seashore (Document ID NPS-2011-0005-0001).

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please don't allow off road vehicles to use the entire Cape Hatteras seashore! Help protect the wildlife by creating more vehicle-free areas!

Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 6491 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The facts speak for themselves.

Correspondence ID: 6492 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: They pollute. guzzle gas, maim & injure. Cigarettes do less damage ; Ban those vehicles permanently unless performing off road rescue work. They do not belong in our national lands

Correspondence ID: 6493 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

National parks have an obligation to protect local wildlife. Please restrict the use of off road vehicles at Cape Hatteras National Seashore so as not to endanger the sea turtles and shore birds.

Not only is protecting the wildlife the right thing to do, these vehicles are a nuisance to anyone who is not using them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Irwin Hoenig

Correspondence ID: 6494 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please protect the wildlife on NPS 2011-0005-0001.

Encourage people to get out of their cars and walk!

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6495 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop killing things that don't need to be killed.

Correspondence ID: 6496 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I have familyI visit in North Carolina and am, myself, a biologist.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Some of these wildlife are hanging by a thread; they need adequate protection.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6497 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6498 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6499 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6500 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am deeply distressed about the NPS's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The current interim plan has been very successful in protecting wildlife. ORV use should not be expanded in this sensitive area. In fact, more vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. The proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. The plan should include the current buffers and other protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you. Bob Vaughan

Correspondence ID: 6501 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Correspondence ID: 6502 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sirs are shoreline wildlife is fragile enough without ATVS trampling areas where birds and other wildlife nest. I think off road vehicles should be limited to special use areas which are not in fragile shoreline habitat. I think there is room for everyone to enjoy are National Parks but there have to be designated areas which dont disturb wildlife. Please vote against regulations which put our wildlife in danger. Sincereley, Eric J. Woody

Correspondence ID: 6503 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Beach driving should be restricted to a minimal area of the 67 miles of seashore, preferably an area that amounts to less than 5 miles. This would be more than a sufficient area to allow space for those who choose to use motor vehicles on a beach.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6504 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I formerly lived in Houstn and my family went to Galveston many times. When we first went there cars were allowed on the beach. They were a menace to my children. Now they have limited the area for for cars which has made the beach more attractive and safe. As far as I am concerned cars on any beach are a hazard to humans and any wldid life and consequently they should be banned. The same should be done at Cape Hatteras

Correspondence ID: 6505 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow off road or any other vehicles in areas such as this. This is damaging to the species that rely on these areas. This is also a nice, relaxing area to get away from the noise of these vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6506 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am opposed to the proposed regulation because it does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. I am writing today to urge you to create specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Please revise your proposed rule.

Correspondence ID: 6507 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Ple3ase protect these birds form being run over.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.ro

Correspondence ID: 6508 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Your proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

It only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

There has been great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife. Those gains must not be lost now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving yet they are a small percentage of those who visit the beaches.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and would prefer that the majority of Hatteras' beaches be vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6509 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello, I was actually rather astonished to learn that ORVs are allowed to use the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I know that these vehicles bring a lot of enjoyment, but there are less sensitive places they could use. Please protect the Seashore!

Thank You, R.

Correspondence ID: 6510 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wild places are fewer and fewer. Please do not open the shore line to off-road vehicles. It's the age old story of the human specie - the hell with everything except the fun of humans. Draw the line and prevent the use of our shore line so a few can run their vehicles over the dunes.

Correspondence ID: 6511 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. We owe it to future generations to take a proactive stand to protecting the environment.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6512 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6513 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, As a resident of NC and frequent visitor to the Outer Banks, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6514 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Let's be considerate of our animal neighbors. It's their planet as well.

Correspondence ID: 6515 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration

Katherine Hinson

Correspondence ID: 6516 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do not allow ORV to disturb and destroy the habitats of the animals & birds on Cape Hatteras. We must stand up and speak for the voiceless animals. The owners of ORVs haave plenty of places to ride their vehicles and don't need another place to spoil the beauty of this area.

Correspondence ID: 6517 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Environment. . . It would be nice to move into the next century with no worries toward the "thousands of water producing filtration plants" that may be found dotting the (rising) shoreline or the productively creative monorails that transport material or commodities to different ports run by safe and efficient electricity? The productivity of safe transport and filtration systems of the future could be used with a verity of tidal wave or wind power generators (and parabolic solar disk) that combined would raise the standards of our creative living environment. . . . P.S. As it's concerning about today's learning or the impersonal attitudes taken sometimes in creating a better tomorrow. The possibilities of creating a better world or the attitudes of an infinite learning should be aligned with the knowledge of a self-instilled reasoning and the motivation of creativeness. The impersonal understanding of today's world is sometimes found to be unsure of its creativeness or that it's a creature of creative thought and reasonable understanding. The behavior of a materialist society or its impersonalist understanding is not based upon an infinite learning or a part of the human stature. The impersonalist knowledge of today's materialist world's based upon the dualism of a symbiotic reasoning that's particed by a dependent degree of learning or its materialist understanding. The edifice of human understanding in the material world today's in the reasoning of "what enters the conscious enters the mind" as the consciousness is the consciousness of truth and forgiveness. Thus realizing the human constitution's based upon honesty, and is not above nature's law. The infinite realization of trust and human understanding in today's world are part of the Universal cosmos and destined perhaps by some higher degree of reasoning. . .

Correspondence ID: 6518 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to do more to keep human beings from damaging natural resources for the sake of curiosity and recreation.

Correspondence ID: 6519 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please take great steps to protect area wildlife. As custodians of this great planet and all its inhabitants, we have a responsibility which we have thus far failed to take as seriously as we should. Other native species deserve to be able to live in peace and safety without being threatened by our recreational endeavors! Surely your visitors can enjoy the area without causing such harm... or go elsewhere.

Correspondence ID: 6520 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I HATE ATVs! They are destructive in their manufacturing and in almost all after-market applications. They are a sign of opulence and superfluosness. If I were Queen I would outlaw them (along with 'monster trucks' that are 'road-worthy', vehicles with needlessly noisy exhaust systems, speed boats, most ski and sea doos, huge vehicles with no other purpose than daily transportation, etc.). When are our governments going to wake up and stand up for what is right for the health of our planet and her inhabitants. Living to excess NEEDS to end before our damage to Mother Earth is irreparable!

Correspondence ID: 6521 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I say it's about time there is a law against travesty.

Correspondence ID: 6522 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6523 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is unbelievable to me that people can kill the wildlife in the name of "fun". AND THIS REALLY NEEDS TO BE DISCUSSED? This is horrible, but not only is it terrible for the wildlife. There are far more people who enjoy the area and do honor the wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6524 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned that the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6525 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting!!!!

Correspondence ID: 6526 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Close this park to off-road vehicle use, permanently.

Correspondence ID: 6527 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does

wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Maria Gritsch

Warren TenHouten

Correspondence ID:	6528	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	WE NEED TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE OUR ENDANGERED WILD LIFE THAT HAS BECOME HOME TO MANY SPECIES BOTH ON LAND AND WATER I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO OPPOSE ALL UNRESTRICTED OFF ROAD VEHICLE USE AT ALL WE ALL NEED TO ENJOY WILD LIFE FOR YEARS TO COME WITHOUT ANY FUTHER DESTRUCTION TO WILD LIFE AND OUR ENVIRONMENT.						

Correspondence ID:	6529	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am EXTREMELY concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6530	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I write regarding the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

The current interim plan has led to gains in protected wildlife for this area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6531 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6532 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The use of ORV in areas that we need to protect our wildlife should continue to be severely limited if not stopped completely. It destroys the terrain, introduces noise pollution into otherwise peaceful and pleasant areas, and reduces the environment necessary for many animals to nest and/or live.

Correspondence ID: 6533 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent:

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing off-road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Since implementing the current interim plan, protected wildlife in the area has seen huge gains! Specifically, Sea Turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 nests in 2010 and Piping Plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding! If off-road vehicle use is expanded across the Seashore, we now know that threatened and endangered wildlife will be impacted. All of the previous work done and the gains we have seen will have been for nothing if the proposed regulation takes effect.

I strongly support regulation of off-road vehicle use at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use. There needs to be more vehicle-free areas for wildlife and pedestrians!

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like Piping Plovers and Sea Turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I appreciate your time and your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6534 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We all need to live on the planet and share the vast land with all of the animals. We already have plenty of places for off road

vehicles. We don't need to create more vast dead lands!

Correspondence ID: 6535 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6536 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

The proposed regulations are inadequate to protect wildlife nesting areas. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

The entire seashore SHOULD NOT be open to beach driving. Instead, specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife, as well as additional vehicle-free areas for nesting, are needed.

Correspondence ID: 6537 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regarding the Special Regulations, Areas of National Park System: Cape Hatteras National Seashore (Document ID NPS-2011-005-0001), I believe that the facts stated by this proposal are inaccurate and non-factual. It states that the use of off road vehicles are unregulated - which is nowhere near the truth. I believe that the present NPS regulations regarding ORV uses should be made permanent as it is serving it's purpose well. There will be no way to absolutely protect all wildlife unless human access is completely prohibited on these islands and that is definitely not desirable. God made man to have dominion over the animals, not vice-versa.

Correspondence ID: 6538 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To whom it may concern. Please leave the breeding areas free of human interference. There are plenty of open spaces for our recreations. We need to live in harmony with other species on this Earth. Please be considerate. I am sure you want your grandchildren to know the beauty of nature. Sincerely, Klara Melman.

Correspondence ID: 6539 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6540 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I object to the use of off-road vehicles near the seashore of Cape Hatteras. Wildlife has many challenges as the environment

degrades, and this is more than they should have to bear.

Correspondence ID: 6541 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This the type of typical disregard that these people feel about wildlife and wild places. They should be banned from all places where they wreak havoc on the local environment.

Correspondence ID: 6542 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: lock up the rich and corrupt politicians

Correspondence ID: 6543 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a birder and nature lover, I visited the Cape Hatteras area last summer. I believe that more stringent regulations are necessary to protect wildlife from off road vehicles and to make the area more hospitable to the majority of visitors who are there for the natural surroundings, not to drive their vehicles through sensitive areas, which negatively impacts the wildlife and the other people who visit there. We need nesting areas and buffer zones around them as well.

Correspondence ID: 6544 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop permitting the use of off road vehicles in national parks and other protected areas where they are killing sea turtles and other important and protected wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 6545 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. While on a recent trip to Hatteras, my family and I very excited to see one of those sea turtle nest sites (protected by NPS). Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. Having spent many vacations in Corolla, we were happy to see no ORVs during our recent trip to Hatteras. We hope it stays that way.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6546 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed

regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6547 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6548 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Congratulations on finally adopting regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I personally support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. However, the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. Please consider making that mandatory.

Thank you for your attention.

Correspondence ID: 6549 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ORV's should not be allowed on public beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6550 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please create a regulation that will protect the turtles and natural beach environment.

Correspondence ID: 6551 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to protect the nesting grounds and our seashore wildlife

Correspondence ID: 6552 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. Your agency should as well.

Correspondence ID: 6553 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Park Officials,

I understand that many people like to drive all sorts of motor vehicles on the beach. There are just as many if not more people who love to go to the beaches to see and hear nature all to itself. The wildlife on these beaches are just as much an attraction and quite honestly have no where else to go. Should they be needlessly killed just so people can drive fast up and down the coast. Most beach goers complain about vehicles on the beach especially if they are not regulated. Can we not enjoy our beaches but protect the natural beauty and its wildlife all the same.

Thank you for your time.

V. Mazza

Correspondence ID: 6554 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: NA

Correspondence ID: 6555 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I ask that off-road vehicles be barred from the beaches of Cape Hatteras National Seashore. These devices are disruptive to other users and highly destructive to wildlife.

The purpose of national parks, monuments, seashores, etc., is to preserve them, not to provide opportunities for their destruction. There is no possible way that off-road vehicles can be allowed on the beach at Cape Hatteras without ruining it.

You will receive many detailed comments regarding the specific damage such vehicles cause to nesting birds and turtles, rare plants, etc. All these are highly important. But I think that the peace and beauty which the beach affords to other visitors is almost as important. To have the tranquility of the shore shattered by roaring dashing dune buggies and such is a travesty on what a national seashore is supposed to be.

Please respect the land you are charged with preserving, the wild creatures who depend upon it for survival, and the visitors who go there to savor the natural world. Off-road vehicles have no place there. Please keep them out.

Correspondence ID: 6556 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6557 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: God msde shore for His shore creatures--not for driving

Don't disturb His plans

Correspondence ID: 6558 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am sure there are plenty of places to ride and enjoy ATV's in this great state besides the sea shore. Please stop the slaughter of these innocent birds. Thank You

Correspondence ID: 6559 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No Off Road Vehicles should be permitted on the shores of Cape Hatteras National Seashore!!!

How can you even entertain such an outrageous happening?

Correspondence ID: 6560 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to protect the Cape Hatteras seashore from vehicle traffic of any kind.

Correspondence ID: 6561 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles are disturbing to people as well as wildlife. I do not think they should be allowed on beaches. But it is terrible if they are killing turtles and birds!

Correspondence ID: 6562 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are already trail ways more do not need to be created.

Correspondence ID: 6563 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6564 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Why ruin the serenity and beauty of a seashore with the destruction and noise of cars? Keep them where they belong, on the streets

Correspondence ID: 6565 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

David Liles

Correspondence ID: 6566 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6567 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support the strongest possible restriction of off-road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The damage to wildlife by this type of use is unacceptable. This national treasure should be managed for our enjoyment of the wildlife there and not for the short-sighted thrill seekers who would destroy their habitat.

Correspondence ID: 6568 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We humans need to be responsible enough to look at the bigger picture and not be so selfish and overly indulgent in what we think we have the right to be doing when it damages the wildlife that can only survive if we DO ACT RESPONSIBLY. "We have the right" becomes overly used when we are repeatedly destroying the safety and habitats of species that are doing only what comes naturally to them and that depend on wise decisions that will protect, not destroy. It is shameful and very sad when humans think more of their "fun" than of the future of innocent creatures.

Correspondence ID:	6569	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I am very concerned by Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						
Correspondence ID:	6570	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	please save our animals on our shores! Kepp them nice so our childrens children can enjoy the beach as we have seen it.						
Correspondence ID:	6571	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Am not sure of the exact meaning of regulation proposed, but do not believe it a good idea to allow off road vehicles to areas where wildlife would accidentally be harmed.						
Correspondence ID:	6572	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						
	I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						
	Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.						
	I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.						
	As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.						
	Thank you for your consideration, and I wish you and yours health and peace.						
Correspondence ID:	6573	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We must respect places that are wild and they must stay wild. We do not have the right to upset the habits and patterns of other species just because we can. We need to set boundaries and preserve the wild and preserve species that are already crippled by our big ships and our pollution.						
Correspondence ID:	6574	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I would beg you to put wildlife above the use of Off road vehicles in areas of nesting shore birds and sea turtles. Humans can get in their cars and go on joy rides elsewhere but nesting animals do not have many nesting choices. Please do more to restrict unnecessary human destruction and protect our diminishing wildlife! Restrict the use of ORVs along cape Hatteras.						
Correspondence ID:	6575	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I heard that the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.						

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Please add one more name to the list of people opposed to the driving plan at Cape Hatteras. Thanks.

-Chris in Champaign, IL

Correspondence ID: 6576 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6577 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the natural environment and stop its degradation by off road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6578 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop!!!!

Correspondence ID: 6579 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007 saw an increase to 153 nests in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, however, threatened and endangered wildlife will certainly be impacted.

The proposed plan currently sets aside 26 of the 67 total Seashore miles for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with the majority left for year-round or seasonal beach driving. In this day and age, as we grossly overrun our natural landscapes and wildlife with a lack of concern for long-term consequences to our planet and ultimately to ourselves, let's make the Cape Hatteras National Seashore a shining example of how humans can live in concert with and actually aid in the rehabilitation of our planet by creating more vehicle-free areas.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

A concerned citizen

Correspondence ID:	6580	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	There are plenty of places to ride the toys, why does it have to be where wildlife have there home?						
Correspondence ID:	6581	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please protect all wildlife.						
Correspondence ID:	6582	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	NO VEHICLES WHERE ANIMALS MAY BE HARMED						
Correspondence ID:	6583	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.						
Correspondence ID:	6584	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	we need to help the cape hatteras.						
Correspondence ID:	6585	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Caring for the wellbeing of animals means progress of civilisation.						
Correspondence ID:	6586	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	please protect wildlife and prohibit vehicles on the beaches						
Correspondence ID:	6587	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6588 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly urge that you adopt strong regulations to protect wildlife from ORV use. We, as a nation, have lost too many species of wildlife to continue to let any one segment of our society have their unrestricted way. We must protect endangered wildlife before even more expensive, remedial actions are needed later. We can avoid getting to that point by acting responsibly now. Please remember, wildlife advocates are part of the National Seashore member community, and our views must be considered as part of any input process. Let's educate the ORV community to the benefits of preserving wildlife through displays, ranger briefings and handouts to ORV users. This process should include extensive patrolling to enforce protection of sensitive wildlife areas.

Correspondence ID: 6589 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I see no reason why you wouldn't require wildlife protection, as the park is an area of natural beauty visited for that specific reason. Imagine how horrifying it would be to most nature lovers to discover that wildlife are being killed by ORVs!

Please include protections for all of the native wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6590 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be permitted in roadless areas of our parks, beaches included. Vehicles should be limited to roads, where there impact is limited.

Correspondence ID: 6591 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello.

Please protect the wildlife. The beaches essentially belong to all of us; it is becoming irritating that they must be damaged or destroyed for the sake of the relative few who feel the need to trample everything. Look at the science, look at the results of setting aside areas, and protect these delicate areas, please.

Correspondence ID: 6592 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. Tell the Park Service instead that you support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6593 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We rely on our National Park system to protect endangered species, and the piping plover as well as sea turtles are very endangered and need all the help they can get. You must not allow off road vehicles to operate in areas like this where it is a nesting ground for both the plovers and the turtles. Please fully protect these endangered animals and stop the off road vehicle use there.

Correspondence ID:	6594	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Stop						
Correspondence ID:	6595	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	please DO NOT allow any off-road vehicles of any type in the Cape Hatteras park area. the potential destruction/disruption to wildlife will be deadly!!! I strongly object to this!						
Correspondence ID:	6596	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Let's do something that benefits not just shoreline fauna, but also the land, air and water: ban off-road vehicles. Period. Except for emergency responders, of course. Everyone else can use our species' original motor vehicles: our feet.						
Correspondence ID:	6597	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As intelligent people should realize by now, the earth has an extremely delicate balance that is necessary to maintain it's integrity, beauty and functionality. Yet we persist in undermining the bountiful gifts that nature provides. You know the old saying "You don't miss the water 'til the well runs dry". Let's stop destroying our environment and maybe we will have a chance to restore the earth to it's natural health and beauty. Nature has extraordinary healing properties and an unrelenting desire to restore it's natural balance. Let's help our planet get back on track and tap into these extraordinary healing and restorative powers that we have been gifted. Hopefully it's not too late.						
	Nancy Friedman						
Correspondence ID:	6598	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						
	I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.						
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	As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.						
	Thank you for your consideration.						
Correspondence ID:	6599	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The law should be here to stop the reckless and mindless from hurting G-Ds creatures. Will be only be happy when all the beauty of nature is gone? Time for a halt to all the destruction of the beauty						
Correspondence ID:	6600	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. I believe that wildlife is just as important as humans, and that wildlife deserve our protection. It would be a crime if any of these animals became extinct due to human interaction. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6601 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. My daughter's best friend works with Audobon Wildlife protection and see first hand every day that people do not respect wildlife buffers. If allowed to drive on these beaches the majority will not respect unenforced buffers! Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Again I emphasize the best route is to ban vehicles from driving on these shores.

Thank you for considering my comments..

Correspondence ID: 6602 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The pleasure provided to the few off-road enthusiasts should not impinge on pleaseure of the many other visitors or to the creatures inhabit this prisitne site.

Correspondence ID: 6603 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Four wheel drive and other recreational vehicle should NOT be a threat to wildlife. Keep these vehicles out of nesting areas and environmentally fragile areas. It should be no-brainer to not drive a vehicle through so someone else's home, but some drivers don't use the senses God gave them.

Correspondence ID: 6604 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current plan, protected wildlife has rebounded in the area. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and

endangered wildlife could be negatively impacted.

Beach drivers should not have a larger area set aside for their use than pedestrians and wildlife. We greatly need more vehicle-free areas. After all, the beach is where people come to escape their day-to-day lives that vehicles, pollution and noise are already too much a part of.

As the plan is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable in my opinion. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration!

Correspondence ID: 6605 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Correspondence ID: 6606 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow vehicles to tear up the shorelines where sea turtles and other wildlife are recklessly endangered and/or killed.

PROTECT THEM! Human "recreation" should not encompass the detriment of the flora and fauna in these habitats.

Correspondence ID: 6607 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be allowed on national beaches. For one thing, we should be conserving gas and oil and not encouraging reckless use of this so costly resource. Secondly, the national beaches belong to everyone, not the small majority who off-road and there are already plenty of places where they can do that. OUR NATIONAL PARKS ARE THERE TO PRESERVE --- not serve a small minority ---- PROTECT THE CAPE HATTERAS NATIONAL SEASHORE FOR EVERYONE -- including the threatened and endangered wildlife who makes this national treasure their home.

Would you want to go to a beach with a bunch of off-road vehicles?

Correspondence ID: 6608 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I don't believe any national land should have ORV access at all. The next best solution is limited access, limited by area, season and time of day to protect wildlife and the peace and tranquility for people.

Correspondence ID: 6609 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must protect our environment!!

Correspondence ID: 6610 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: protect our wildlife

Correspondence ID: 6611 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Due to our growing population, it is now necessary to limit the areas where these vehicles can go. There must be a place for them to ride and enjoy the sport but the overall health of our ecosystem must take first priority. Simply running amuck over all the land is destructive. Let us engage in setting boundaries in a clear fair manner so all can partake of our beautiful country. We can do it!!

Correspondence ID: 6612 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello Superintendent Murray,

I have some comments re the National Park Service's proposed rules for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

In the current (temporary) plan, protected wildlife have made large gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I've observed the negative effects of semi-regulated ORV use at the Pismo Beach Dunes - not positive for wildlife, not positive for non-ORV beach visitors. Air quality issues related to ORVs, including particulate lung damage, are just beginning to be understood.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

The proposed regulations as written treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Don't turn Hatteras into another Pismo Dunes!

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6613 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wake up and save the wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 6614 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a private citizen, I would like to ask that you not allow, or greatly reduce the size of the authorized driving areas for vehicles of any kind on the beaches. With the human populations across the country expanding, we're crowding out natural habitat, and killing and maiming the precious wild life that we can easily save by some judicious forethought. I have walked many of the beaches in question, and they're a national treasure. It's not OK to allow reckless recreation policies to permit thoughtless and often abusive recreation on these lands. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6615 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I live in Arizona but vacation on Cape Hatteras. I have seen dead birds around tire tracks.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please protect wildlife from off-road vehicles.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6616 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-road vehicle drivers are taking unacceptable liberties by driving over beaches. This activity should not be allowed on ANY

beach - beaches are for people walking, who can avoid nesting birds and the unique habitat of many other wild creatures.

Correspondence ID: 6617 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have read about off road use of our national seashores and deserts and abhor the damage that's being done to wildlife and ecology. There is no earthly reason that our precious earth needs to be torn up by unthinking individuals using motorized vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6618 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is time to consider the consequences of our human centered activities that are without regard to the other forms of life that we share space with.

I hope that we can enter into an ethical framework out of which our rules of conduct come from a learned deep respect for the more than human world.

Correspondence ID: 6619 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife needs to be explicitly protected. All areas containing nesting birds and turtles should be off limits to ORVs during nesting times.

Also ORVs are a public nuisance to others trying to enjoy the seashore. The are not inducive to the serenity people seek when going to the seashore.

ORVs should be restricted to very limited areas, not where nesting occurs. The restriction also need to be strongly enforced since ORVs frequently will ignore restriction and drive into restricted areas.

Please explicitly protect wildlife and their habitats.

Correspondence ID: 6620 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our precious wildlife!!! Once we have destroyed their chances at life, it just takes more time and money to restore their habitat and life cycles. Please prevent their demise before it takes too much to restore their existance!!!

Correspondence ID: 6621 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Having stayed on Hatteras Island many times I know what a treasure it is, particularly for the wildlife there. These must be preserved against the destruction by selfish individuals. Eliminate all off road vehicles there please.

Correspondence ID: 6622 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6623 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I am writing in opposition of unrestricted off road vehicle use at Cape Hatteras National Seashore that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Please do NOT allow this to happen.

Thank you, Laura McGaughey

Correspondence ID:	6624	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please stop the senseless killing of wildlife by vehicles on the beaches.						

Correspondence ID:	6625	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Keep ALL vehicles OFF of the beach;they don't belong there-what DOES belong there is the 'wildlife',they have been there for millennia;also animals are Much More Scenic than Noisy,Smelly,Polluting vehicles racing mindlessly along-EW!						

Correspondence ID:	6626	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6627	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from						

beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6628 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict or preferably deny access to off road vehicles in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I am a resident of NC and believe we must do whatever we can to preserve the beaches for wildlife and the future of the shore.

We saw the destruction nature can cause in the Outer Banks with hurricanes and storms such as Irene. We as a nation of people must not contribute to the destruction of this beautiful place. We must protect wildlife as the stewards of the earth.

Thank you for considering my comments. Caroline Purcell

Correspondence ID: 6629 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

My family has had a house at Long Beach on Oak Island for 33 years, and I have spent every summer of my life at the coast enjoying bird watching, kayaking, beach combing, and shore life. The lovely NC coast is precious, unique, and vitally important to me and my loved ones; its protection and health are paramount to the vitality of the local ecosystem and environment.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6630 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: You must allow the proposed rule Cape Hatteras National Seashore (DIC ID NPS-2022-001) rule to save seashore lives. Humans can destroy or be stewards of this wonderful planet. Let us be stewards of life.

Correspondence ID: 6631 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help protect wildlife! I am asking for your support to do all you can to stop this and protect these animals.

I appreciate your time and all you do.

Correspondence ID: 6632 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I hope that we will be responsible caretakers of our environment and protect all life from reckless and senseless destruction. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6633 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles are destroying vegetation and wildlife all over this country. If we hope to leave anything for our children and grandchildren we must adopt limits on these intrusions, especially on public lands we all share.

Correspondence ID: 6634 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I think it is great that you're accepting public comments on the proposed regulatons for ORVs on Cape Hatteras National Sea Shore.

I've visited Cape Hatteras as a tourist many times and take particular interest in perserving the beauty and viability of the sea shore. The last thing I want to see or hear when I'm on the beach is a noisy polluting ORV. It's like second hand smoke, impossible to ignore.

I strongly believe that the entire beach should be closed to beach driving. Wilflife and vehicles don't mix. Beach combers and vehicles don't mix. We're already destoying a lot of bird habitat with development, pollution and huge ferral cat populations. I want to get AWAY from cars when I go to the beach. Allowing ORVs is simply a bad idea. Also, the regulatons to protect the beach should be mandatory not optional.

Jacqueline Edmundson

Correspondence ID: 6635 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please implement science-based protections for shore-dependent wildlife, including birds and turtles to limit the areas where, and times when, orv activity is permitted.

Correspondence ID: 6636 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Correspondence ID: 6637 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No off road vehicles!

Correspondence ID: 6638 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore as someone who vacations there on a regular basis.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6639 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I have not visited this area yet, but as a lover of birds and other wildlife, I know how important it is as habitat and a nesting area.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with the remainder open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6640 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: couldn't they make it off limits to off road vehicles while the birds were nesting?

Correspondence ID: 6641 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened

and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6642	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6643	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Superintendent Murray,						

The National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore worries me.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6644	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Pilley

Correspondence ID: 6645 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: People with these vehicles should not be allowed to destroy the natural beauty and the creatures we all enjoy.

Correspondence ID: 6646 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Failure to protect this beach from ORV's would be typical government intellect. Lets do better than that.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6647 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: No more wildlife deaths from vehicles in Cape Hatteras!

Correspondence ID: 6648 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I would like to be able to see wildlife when I go to the seashore and not big trenches in the sand and the whole landscape torn up from off-road vehicles. Please protect the seashore for me and my children's enjoyment. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6649 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6650 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a concerned citizen who loves America's National Parks and wildlife. I am opposed to allowing unrestricted off road use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore. If allowed, off road vehicles will cause noise pollution, air pollution and worst of all, it will harm bird and turtle species, and other wildlife.

In the past few years, due to your foresight and help, wildlife has been allowed to prosper, but if new rules are not based on specific, enforceable, science-based rules for off road vehicles, nesting areas as well as wildlife will be in danger.

People such as myself far outnumber off road vehicle riders and that used to mean something. Please don't allow a vocal few to make policy for you.

Thank you for considering my opinion which represents many more individuals that may not be able to respond.

Correspondence ID: 6651 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have been to Cape Hatteras many times and had no idea that vehicles of any type were allowed on the National Seashore. This is unconscionable!

Correspondence ID: 6652 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cassie Alford

Correspondence ID: 6653 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I'm asking you to please protect this area for the natural wildlife that lives in this area. People have to be the protectors for them or they will disappear. It's already been proven by the existing protections that were put in place just 3 years ago, that the nesting of the sea turtles has almost doubled. Humans are using this for their pleasure without regard for the natural habitat. We need to be the stewards for these majestic creatures. I urge you to set aside most, if not all, of the shoreline for the natural habitats of this unique area. Let's not lose the ground we've already gained.

Sincerely, Suzanne Erickson

Correspondence ID: 6654 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Years ago, I went on a trek through California's High Sierras. At that time, I remember being told not to stray from the trails, because it would lead to destruction of the habitat. I ask you: how much more destructive can permitting off-road vehicles to rampage around our parklands and ravage bird and animal habitats be??? This is insane! So many other factors are contributing to the disappearance of too many of our native bird and animal species, that we can't allow such preventable destruction to continue.

Correspondence ID: 6655 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific enforceable, science-based Protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6656 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife will most certainly be adversely impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife and pedestrians. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6657 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must take steps to protect wildlife by establishing laws to control the use of off-the-road vehicles. If people do not have the intelligence to safely (not only for their safety, but for the safety of other people and wildlife) drive the vehicles, they should be prohibited from driving them where they could possibly maim or kill living things.

Correspondence ID: 6658 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6659 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles not only harm the lives and well-being of creatures and endangered animals, but of people too. There is so little left of natural space, to allow the few places to be overwhelmed by noisy, polluting off-roaders, tearing up the land is a travesty that must not be allowed any longer.

STOP THE MADNESS! STOP OFF-ROAD VEHICLES from ruining the peacefulness and well being of both people and nature!

Correspondence ID: 6660 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6661 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving but we need specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting

Correspondence ID: 6662 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to limit the damage people make on the enviroment...during breading season and times which they inhabit the area 4-wheelers should be prohibited. Just like the ducks on the lakes have areas boatgers and fishermen cannot use

Correspondence ID: 6663 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We are losing too many of our wildlife and need protect what is left. Let's give them a fighting chance.

Correspondence ID: 6664 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. During the summer, I visit this vicinity often, so I have a very personal connection to this area.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

Also, people who drive ORV's on beaches, drive like maniacs.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6665 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am extremely concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife WILL be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6666 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6667 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are enough places for off road activities to occur.Maintain peace and quiet for all critters to live and thrive.

Correspondence ID: 6668 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: i urge you to protect coasts and our environment in general. ORV's are not a good idea on our coast lines. Our wildlife is too important. Cape Hatteras should be protected rather then abused.

Correspondence ID: 6669 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our natural areas and the wildlife that rely on those areas for food, shelter and nesting.

This includes shorelines as well as inland areas.

Thank you, beverly wenger

Correspondence ID: 6670 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please restrict beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore!!!!!!!

Correspondence ID: 6671 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6672 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence:

Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration, Donald M. Cronin

Correspondence ID: 6673 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road recreational vehicles should be restricted to certain small areas because they are so destructive.!!!

Correspondence ID: 6674 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6675 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off-Road vehicles have sufficient playgrounds that they should not be permitted to tear up precious and historic National Seashores and other memorable places where people should be able to enjoy nature rather than deal with the noise, pollution, and danger of Off-Road vehicle traffic.

Its not the right place ever to be tearing around our beaches

Correspondence ID: 6676 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6677 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Driving and motor vehicles should not be allowed in any area where wildlife are nesting. That is simply inhumane to run over these poor innocent creatures.

Correspondence ID: 6678 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6679 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose off road vehicle use along the Hatteras seashore. Many birds and sea mammals rely on the beaches to feed and spawn young. In addition, many of those same mammals are currently on the endangered species list. It is the Park Services mission to protect these animals. They are the voiceless victims.

Please do NOT allow ORV use on the seashore. Humans have so many places to recreate, why must we trample and destroy the few remaining places that other animals need to survive.

Correspondence ID: 6680 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a long-time resident of Florida, I can attest that off-road vehicles, including ATVs, have caused serious damage to beaches and the banks of rivers and lakes.

Too many such riders can be classified as irresponsible hooligans who give no thought to the impact of their activities on habitat and on other people.

Nests of turtles and birds, along with crab burrows, are thoughtlessly crushed. Pollutants released by the poorly burned fuel and the silting of estuarine habitats kill small fish and eggs.

These activities have no place in sensitive shore and wetlands areas.

Correspondence ID: 6681 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop encroaching on wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6682 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As an avid birdwatcher and lover of all wildlife, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

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Correspondence ID: 6684 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off road travel to prevent wildlife losses due to disturbance in turtle nesting areas as well as shorebird and other wildlife habitat. The restrictions in the last few years has worked well. Let us not revert to looser rulings.

Correspondence ID: 6685 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It would be a bad idea to allow unrestricted off-road vehicle use on areas where sea turtles might be nesting. It would be better to restrict off-road vehicles to certain areas. We shouldn't allow all the species to go extinct.

Correspondence ID: 6686 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off Road vehicles are not appropriate or compatible with endangered shorebirds and turtles. Please do not permit them on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6687 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have never visited Cape Hatteras but have always wanted to. After hearing it is open to ORV I have changed my mind. Who wants dodge vehicles when walking on a sandy beach? Why should people be allowed to disrupt others enjoyment of nature, not to mention nature itself. Critters that live on Cape Hatteras were there before people and have a right to live without being run over or having their nests and homes destroyed by ORV. Cape Hatteras is a special place that should be preserved by humans not destroyed by them.

Correspondence ID: 6688 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do NOT allow off road vehicles in National Seashore areas. Too many sensitive species live in these areas, and off road vehicles do not belong in them. Compromising and/or destroying an ecosystem for amusement and recreation is deplorable. Please protect species like piping plovers, which rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive.

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Name: private
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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife as well as vehicle-free areas for nesting. Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a treasure for all to enjoy, humans and wildlife alike.

Providing these protections will keep the seashore environment healthy and able to be enjoyed by all in years ahead.

Correspondence ID: 6691 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please take measures to protect wildlife on beaches. Continue regulating the use of off road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6692 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am deeply worried about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

At this moment, protected wildlife has been doing quite well under protection. Sea turtles raised their nests to 153 in 2010 which was a significant gain. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are increasing in number as well. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

We must get to a point where we realize how devastating our actions can be against our environment. Recreational sport that can needlessly kill wildlife should have no place in the structure of a civilized society.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6693 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect the Cape Hatteras National Seashore for the wildlife that calls it home.

Correspondence ID: 6694 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please help protect our National Seashore in Cape Hatterass by restricting use by off road vehicles.

Correspondence ID: 6695 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not ruin the wildlife on Cape Hatteras.

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Name: private
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Humans can't help but impact the natural world on a daily basis. I'd like to believe that our jobs as stewards of the natural world is to reduce that impact as much as possible, particularly in the case of ORV use. Beach driving for recreational purposes is at odds with responsible practices to protect fragile seashore ecosystems.

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Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

If ORV use across the Seashore is expanded, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the and more vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

The proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional and this is unacceptable. Please revise the plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6699 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

As a student at the University of Maine at Presque Isle who is majoring in Environmental Studies as well as an advocate and lover of both the environment and animals alike, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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Correspondence ID: 6701 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I urge that off-road vehicle use be restricted sufficiently in Cape Hatteras shore areas so that scarce or threatened species of birds, turtles and other wildlife will be protected and will be able to live.

These regions are not there for the enjoyment of thoughtless humans.

I further suggest allowing persons on foot to have access where ORV use is restricted.

Correspondence ID: 6702 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: we must protect the land where animals live. we humans have taken more than is healthy for our planet. we are part of nature not its masters with license to destroy it without regard for life.

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Name: private
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Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Speak out for wildlife. Visit regulations.gov to oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now. ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6706 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles should not be allowed on the beaches except when used by park rangers, police officers, and emergency personnel. My experience with off road vehicles is that they are too busy going too fast to pay attention to other people much less small creatures and the environment. The kids seem to like to chase the birds and the parents never stop them. There are not enough personnel around to enforce the rules.

Correspondence ID: 6707 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Don't have our shore birds exposed to ATVs that will wipe out nests and habitat.

Please keep ATVs OFF the shore lines!

Thank You,

Correspondence ID: 6708 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: In Wa state they have allowed driving on the shorelines to the point thousands of birds have been slaughtered by speed demons and show offs, kids and pets can no longer safely spend an afternoon at the beach, oil and gas are mixed in with the sand, which is detrimental to sea life, smells, and creates a mess.

I urge you not to allow this to happen to YOUR beach. There is no need, absolutely none, for people to drive on ANY beaches. It is foolhardy, dangerous, and destructive.

Thank you

Correspondence ID:	6709	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
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Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	If everyone could see what a bad imprint humankind has on all of our environments; maybe things would change. As it is this does have an impact and it is noted and can be prevented. Help save this natural resource...keep offroad activities to other less impacted environs. Please.						

Correspondence ID:	6711	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. I understand that National Park Service will adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation seems to do little to protect wildlife nesting areas.						

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I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated"-Mahatma Gandhi

Correspondence ID: 6712 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect the wildlife nesting areas from the ORV's. We are responsible for God's creatures and we need to protect them from unneccasary harm. Do the right thing.

Correspondence ID: 6713 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure and we need to keep it that way by restricting use of off-road vehicles. Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed or destroyed.

I strongly urge that regulations be put in place or maintained to restrict use of off road vehicles in these protected areas, with heavy fines for violators. There are enough places where people can enjoy riding these things and wreaking havoc on the landscape, but there are fewer places where our precious wildlife can live free.

Thank you for your attention - and action - on this matter.

Correspondence ID: 6714 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: In our current retrograde times it seems that the desires of a few are always put ahead of those of the many. The desires of a few to go roaring through natural wildernesses on destructive off-road vehicles are considered by them to be their right. Of course they know they will not be allowed to do it on the properties of the rich but have no problem in thinking it's OK on the property that belongs to all of us. In many cases it seems to have gotten mixed up in their minds with their rights as Americans.

There are ways to enjoy these wilderness treasures of ours and driving off-road vehicles is not among them. Let them take a hike, literally and figuratively.

For the sake of our common treasure ORVs must be stringently regulated.

Correspondence ID: 6715 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. I am especially concerned about the shorebirds and turtles since both are declining at an unsustainable rate.

Correspondence ID: 6717 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please accept my request that full protections be granted to all nesting wildlife along the Cape Hatteras National Seashore for the entire length of the park shore line during all nesting seasons. Considering the loss of habitat wildlife has suffered along the entire coastal areas of the US I believe it is a small price for the public (ie: off road vehicles as well as the general public) to pay during the short nesting season wildlife requires to successfully reproduce. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6718 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This is to let you know that people care are watching, and hoping that you will do the right thing.

Correspondence ID: 6719 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. It only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

Correspondence ID: 6720 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6721 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The unrestricted use of off the road vehicles is presenting a danger to wildlife, wilderness, and to the people who want to enjoy the animals and quiet of wild areas. The noise of the vehicles and actions of irresponsible drivers (often drinking alcohol, running down the animals, ruining the land and vegetation) are a problem everywhere they go but especially in the parks, beaches, and wild area in the country.

Correspondence ID: 6722 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National

Seashore.

I have visited Cape Hatteras and it is very beautiful. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. I do not think you should expand ORV use across the Seashore. It will severely impact the threatened and endangered wildlife that are now doing so well.

Therefore I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6723 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I think the animals should have the right of way whenever possible. When they can't, people should walk.

Correspondence ID: 6724 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Stop the use of offroad vehicles on beaches. They are too destructive to wildlife habitat.

Correspondence ID: 6725 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Speak out for wildlife!

Oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife!

Correspondence ID: 6726 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: stop the destruction brought about by off-road vehicles! they are poisoning the atmosphere with emissions, ruining needed grasses and fragile growth for storm protection, and killing wildlife needlessly!

Correspondence ID: 6727 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and others, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6728 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: THESE AREAS MUST BE MAINTAINED & NOT DESTROYED!

Correspondence ID: 6729 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sirs and Madams,

I am writing today to oppose the use of vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Wildlife needs protected habitat and I am strongly against ORV's destroying areas.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6730 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Having visited the Cape Hatteras National Seashore many times it is a beautiful area of the country and an important habitat for all types of wildlife.

I support strong regulations regarding ORVs at the Seashore. Your proposed plan only sets aside 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More acreage needs to be protected to preserve this area and the animals that inhabit it. Unfortunately many ORV drivers are not careful about where they drive or what they drive over, especially if they have been drinking and partying.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations do not go far enough regarding wildlife protection. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jim Kochis

Correspondence ID: 6731 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Special Regulations, Nat'l Park System, Cape Hatteras Nat'l Seashore:

I am horrified about our disregard for wildlife in many areas of the United States. Please ban vehicles and activities from the shore and wetlands needed by species such as birds and animals who need these areas for survival. We have taken up most of this country for our enjoyment and commerce and military, etc. Let's leave animals, birds and fish some space as well!

Sincerely and with great concern,

Ann Raven

Correspondence ID: 6732 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted offroad vehicle use that endangers animals, especially when the animals are an endangered species or about to be. It's time the human race started acting as intelligently as it thinks it is and started treating our Spaceship Earth in such a way that is sustainable and respectful, not foolish and irresponsible.

Correspondence ID: 6733 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration. Helmuth

Correspondence ID: 6734 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific enforceable, science based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Beach driving by ORV's are not only dangerous for wildlife, it is dangerous for anyone else that might be taking a "quiet" walk. It is just not the place for ORV's

Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 6735 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I don't support off ORV anywhere. They contribute nothing, but noise, pollution, and are destructive to the environment. They are all about speed and being cool, and the rest of the world be damned.

Why anyone wants to let them tear up the beaches is beyond me! The entire beach SHOULD not be open to these drivers. Give them a section, if you must, and leave the rest to us who can appreciate the peace, beauty and sea creatures. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6736 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I concur with the below statement in its entirety but I shall go one step further - off-road vehicles have NO place on the seashore and dunes. Off-roaders cannot be trusted to stay on trails, go slowly, etc. It has been scientifically proven that animals are in peril from their use. I vote "no" on allowing ORV to be utilized on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened

and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6737 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support specific, unenforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

My home in Truro, Massachusetts adjoins the Cape Cod National Seashore, with similar issues.

ORV use is a legitimate use, but much less critical than wildlife protection, and greatly destructive to efforts to restore threatened and endangered species populations.

Correspondence ID: 6738 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Haven't we depleted enough of our wild lands and wild life? Let's leave some species on the planets for our decedents, if indeed the way we are destroying what we have, there is anything left.

What we were given was only a loan, it was ours to care for. PLEASE, PLEASE do not allow the invasion of our pristine shores by off road or any kind of vehicles, except emergency.

In God's name, PLEASE!!!!

Or has our country come to the point where I shouldn't invoke God's name....well I just did!

Correspondence ID: 6739 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As you are aware, Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline.

The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

There is nothing in the bill that protects the endangered birds and animals that I can determine.

I sincerely hope you will give strong consideration to protection of the wildlife - extinction is forever. The ORV users can find lots of other places to enjoy their recreational time without decimating nesting grounds.

Correspondence ID: 6740 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I guess the environment is a dirty word now, and people could care less what kind of planet they leave their children and grandchildren. ORVs are a menace not only to wildlife, but to people who simply want to enjoy the seashore. They shouldn't be allowed at all. There must be money involved here because that is the only thing that seems to motivate our government, not doing what is right. I'll be shocked if you do what is right, but ask that you do anyway.

Correspondence ID: 6741 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sir or Madam,

Please do not open up National Parks to unlimited off road vehicles. National Parks should have protection of wildlife and their habitats as their number one goal. As an avid hiker and camper I've seen the destruction that off road vehicles can do to natural areas. Most people who visit our National Parks want to leave the city behind and enjoy the natural beauty of our country. Bringing off road vehicles into a National Park is basically bringing the city into nature and spoils the experience for everyone else. Afficionados of off road vehicle use have plenty of opportunities to enjoy their sport on private land and tracks.

Please keep off road vehicles, noise, pollution and the accompanying habitat destruction, out of our National Parks.

Sincerely, Mateo Rutherford

Correspondence ID:	6742	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I am writing with regard to the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

ORVs are not central to life. Habitat is central to life. Choose habitat and life.

Correspondence ID:	6743	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Beach driving is an outdated activity in the U.S. We are now smarter than we used to be regarding our natural resources, including wildlife, correct? People can just walk on the beach, not drive. Even walking around beach nesting animals poses a problem, so beach driving definitely will. I believe you know the right thing to do here. Thank you for allowing me to comment.						

Sincerely, Kris Bowman

Correspondence ID:	6744	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Do not allow off road vehicles in this area. Pristine areas are precious and should be protected!						

Correspondence ID:	6745	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please ban ORV from our national seashores, parks and deserts. They destroy land always searching for that next thrill and the constant noise is stressful to nesting birds, turtles and any young wildlife. Please keep our parks safe for wildlife and those of us who come to enjoy the peace and quiet these parks afford.						

Correspondence ID:	6746	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please limit off-road vehicle use on the island.						

Correspondence ID: 6747 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned that off road vehicles not be allowed to travel on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The damage to wildlife that use the beach areas as habitat could be detrimental to nesting and feeding. The wildlife already faces enough problems with pollution and loss of habitat. Please protect them on the Seashore.

Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6748 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I just would like to know why do you let people kill/injure wildlife?

Correspondence ID: 6749 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop off-road vehicles from destroying wildlife and the habitat of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Off road vehicles are loud, smelly, and destructive--just like their owners--and make the use of parks less fun for those of us who don't like the noise or environmental pollution/destruction.

Thank you for your consideration.

L. Stewart

Correspondence ID: 6750 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: People who require the use of off-road vehicles to enjoy the beach are not the only citizens who have an interest in the national seashore. This is not only about the rights of the few people who think it is fun to drive wherever they want no matter the cost. It is about the rights of the rest of us who would like to experience the environment undestroyed and unpolluted by noisy, reeking toys and to know that even in our absence the creatures who live on the shore can continue to exist.

I am not allowed to drive my car over public parks and playgrounds and schoolyards or down the median strip of highways or just because I might think that was fun-- even though I pay taxes for these things. Why should ATV owners expect to be able to destroy some of the most valuable things on earth for all of us just because they might enjoy it?

It is absurd and unfair to privilege those few who want to race through a beach on noisy, polluting, destructive vehicles over the rights of the vast majority of citizens with an interest in the national seashore who value the the natural sounds and sights and smells of beach areas and the inestimable worth of the plants and creatures that inhabit them over the presumed thrill of smashing through it, killing plants and animals and fouling the air on a big, ugly toy. Let the ATV addicts pollute some less beautiful and valuable area. Since they don't respect public land or the lives of animals or the peace and pleasure of other humans let them use parking lots or race tracks to expel noise and poison and leave the national beaches to those who value the seashore and the creatures who live there.

Correspondence ID: 6751 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Lets kep these birds safe.

Correspondence ID: 6752 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am against allowing off-road vehicles in areas that endanger wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6753 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6754	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.						

Correspondence ID:	6755	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

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Correspondence ID:	6756	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please consider that regulating the beaches to protect birds and their nests is about the only way to keep our wildlife from being destroyed by beach buggies and 4 wheelers. We don't allow shooting ranges on our beaches to accommodate those who want a nice place to target practice yet allowing mechanized equipment on the beaches is like a shooting gallery. Please! Thank you!						

Correspondence ID:	6757	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The parks are pretty much all that is left of natural beauty, while the incessant breeding of the human population has us on a fast track toward extinction. Precedents must be made to keep people and their poisonous vehicles away from certain areas of beauty and quiet so that wildlife and respectful citizens may enjoy them. That's why they're there.						

Correspondence ID:	6758	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Endangered species are worth more than a joy ride on the beach. Protect them by banning ORVs from their habitat.

Correspondence ID: 6759 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
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Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Correspondence ID: 6760 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must protect our wildlife. Animals, all kinds are special to millions of people and issues like this should not be overlooked. We must protect our Natl park and shore areas to avoid from helpless animals being killed or injured.

Correspondence ID: 6761 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation by Defenders and our partners, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife , and we can't lose traction now.

Correspondence ID: 6762 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: How can we allow uncaring people destroy the beautiful wildlife of our shores? Maybe they just don't know the havoc they are creating.

Correspondence ID: 6763 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: National Park System, In relation to restricting vehicles driving in areas that are being used by Sea Turtles and Birds etc bedding areas. I would suggest that you do restrict driving in these areas. These animals/birds have no other place to make their bedding areas so do need protection from danger. As our country has expanded many animals have had to blend in with the population and at some times endangering that population. This is the only way that these animals can cope. Imagine what you would do if you were one of these animals getting crowded out of your natural environment.

Correspondence ID: 6764 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6765 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I urge those involved in the decision on this bill to weigh the benefits against the impact on nature. Do we really need to expand the ability to impact our natural habitats in the name of invasive recreation for a minority few? Please keep vehicles out of the picture with regards to our national seashores and other natural areas. Thank you, for generations to come!

Correspondence ID: 6766 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protection for our wild creatures above all else.

Correspondence ID: 6767 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6768 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Please protect the turtles and birds that live in this wilderness area. We must protect our wildlife and wild places for future generations to enjoy.

Correspondence ID: 6769 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. Many more vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6770 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive, but if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. Please oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6771 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please reconsider the unrestricted off-road vehicle use that threatens wildlife on our shores. Unfortunately, too many people are unaware of the damage that they do or they just don't care.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6772 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does

wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6773 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6774 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please ban use of all motorized vehicles on Cape Hatteras--it ought to remain pristine, and it is up to us to try and protect this as one of the last natural coastal areas. If conveyance is necessary for the sake of monetary enhancement and income, I suggest either electric omnibusses, or horse-drawn vehicles--as works well for other areas in the country. Failure to protect this lovely national treasure is not only unpatriotic, it is avarice incarnate, and morally corrupt. Please ban motorized vehicles from Cape Hatteras

Correspondence ID: 6775 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6776 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Massachusetts has been doing this successfully for years.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

There are many agencies in Massachusetts that can help you create a plan that works for everyone.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6777 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I have visited Cape Hatteras National Seashore many times in the past, and loved it for many reasons, among them the great wildlife watching there. PLEASE protect the wildlife for future generations, there are many other areas people can "play" with their off-road vehicles. Leave room for the wildlife to raise their young safely. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6778 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6779 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Be their voice*

Correspondence ID: 6780 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray:

I am writing as I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing off-road vehicle (O.R.V.) use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are also rebounding. If you expand O.R.V. use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of O.R.V.s at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan only sets aside 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as being optional, which is wholly unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6781 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please institute policies to protect marine life from off road vehicles. These animals and plants can't protect themselves. They need our help. Thnks.

Robert Schmierer

Correspondence ID: 6782 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow vehicles on Cape Hatteras national seashore

Correspondence ID: 6783 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do we have to keep stomping on everything without any awareness of who or what we're killing? Let's continue to develop a respectful attitude towards other species with whom we share this planet. Certainly, we are able to curtail our recreational activities out of respect for the lives of these shorebirds and sea turtles.

Correspondence ID: 6784 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

I strongly support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. The currently proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6785 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Save wildlife from idiotic people!!!

Correspondence ID: 6786 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off road vehicles from beaches - everywhere. I have seen the damage done to beaches and their natural inhabitants on both the east and west coasts (and many place in-between) by these off road vehicles. I have also witnessed the destruction caused by these vehicles in our National Forests and BLM lands as well as private holdings. Please restrict there use on our public lands and beaches throughout the country.

Sincerely, Douglas Wood

Correspondence ID: 6787 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Nature bats last. People forget. It is our most important asset, without a strong natural environment, everything else goes to pot, which included the economy.

Correspondence ID: 6788 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6789 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing to let the Park service know that I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Please do something noble and protect bird's habitats. As if wildlife does not have enough to deal with already. Park Service, this Is YOUR job! Thankyou.

Correspondence ID: 6790 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is ABSOLUTELY INEXCUSABLE, and patently immoral to allow the injuring and deaths of innocent wildlife, just for the casual desires, mindless entertainment, and "excitement" of a minority of callously selfish, and/or woefully ill-informed, and highly destructive people who wish to use and abuse our National Parks and other wild lands with off road vehicles.

This practice must be drastically curtailed, and preferably banned, in ALL environmentally important and by definition, sensitive areas. To satisfy this small group of people who fancy off road vehicle use, some already hopelessly degraded areas can be identified, where such pursuits can be allowed, with strict regulations and punishments regarding exceeding established boundaries for this activity.

If we do not move now to safeguard our remaining wild lands and parks from further human harm, and act to protect and preserve biodiversity in every possible way, we are in fact, jeopardizing our own long-term health and well-being as a species!

I and my husband, and our families, who are all frequent, RESPECTFUL visitors to our National Parks and other public lands, therefore must urge you, in the strongest possible terms, to severely limit and in most cases to ELIMINATE off road vehicle use in all such areas!

Correspondence ID: 6791 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ATV and Offroad vehicles could destroy the habitat and nests of these beautiful birds. Please do not allow this to happen.

Correspondence ID: 6792 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow off road vehicles to destroy nesting sites and potentially do harm to the ecosystem.

Correspondence ID: 6793 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Don't open up the shoreline to Off Road Vehicles. They harm wildlife and are environmentally bad. Protect wildlife by severely restricting all motorized vehicles, that is, prohibit them from operating along the shoreline. Allow foot traffic, but also make regulations protecting the wildlife from harm. And enact and ENFORCE substantial penalties against violators.

Correspondence ID: 6794 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: I strongly oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Such use will threaten important wildlife there, including sea turtles and shorebirds. Vehicle-free areas are essential.

Correspondence ID: 6795 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. There is no need for ORV's to drive everywhere over everything, killing wildlife and destroying the land.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6796 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I grew up in Charleston, SC, and dearly loved all of the seashore wildlife that I saw on a regular basis. Sadly, too many people on these beautiful beaches have driven away too much of the precious wildlife. As a person who cares deeply for the environment, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

The current interim plan has been wonderful for the protected wildlife, which has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be very badly impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan is now wrongly protecting beach drivers instead of wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use, which leaves more environmentally fragile area open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. Instead, more vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Obviously, the times of bird nesting, as well as turtle nesting, must be taken into account for them to be protected.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6797 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep Cape Hatteras National Seashore free from off-road vehicle destruction.

Correspondence ID: 6798 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our earth is an ecosystem, and as such, requires all types of life in order to maintain itself. Wildlife is a major part of this ecosystem and absolutely deserves the utmost protection. We, as humans, have a responsibility to the animals of this planet. We must speak for them and be a positive voice in terms of their well-being. Please stand up and do what is right for all wildlife. Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife, and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. Animals have no one else to speak for them or offer them protection. Please help them. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6799 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop humans from over-running and wrecking everything. I started visiting the outer banks 55 years ago and we did just damn fine using our feet. I did a lot of surf fishing and never had difficulty taking what I needed in a backpack on foot. Way past time to do the right thing. Humans are lazy and don't want to expend one ounce of physical effort for their instant gratification. No wonder they are fat!! Keep the vehicles off the beaches!!!!

Correspondence ID: 6800 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Change the rule to be fair and protect our natural resources as well as the animals that call this home.

Correspondence ID: 6801 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please stop the unrestricted off road vehicle activities along our ocean shores! Human activities along shorelines are fun and a nice escape from everyday life. However, they are destructive to the wildlife habitat that many species are part of. Stopping the off road vehicle freedom that is now in play will assure the continuation of this eco system.

Correspondence ID: 6802 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicles that threaten precious wildlife

Correspondence ID: 6803 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Do not allow offroad driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I live in a county that allows beach driving and I prefer instead to go to the state beach parks BECAUSE they do not allow that sort of thing to occur. I prefer my beach sand WITHOUT oil. I prefer a wide vista from shore to ocean to sky, uninterrupted by motorists' noise, smell, and distractions.

Because my county allows it, it has to put into place mitigation efforts, which cost taxpayer dollars. Those mitigation efforts work - our wildlife numbers and the nests are increasing. But in this tough economic time, why put in place a program that may require mitigation efforts and the expense associated with them?

There is no guarantee that some driver will not run over some person sleeping in the sand. Two girls died because of that in my county. It absolutely would NOT have happened if drivers were restricted from beach access. Where does one need to go to on ANY beach that requires driving??? Nowhere.

And if that isn't enough, there are the turtles, birds and other wildlife that will die or never be born because they are hit and run victims. Our beaches are home and birthplace to animals that are irreplaceable. There simply is no need to drive on a beach. We need to show respect for the animals that share the beach with us, and to teach it to our children by example.

I have fond memories of the wildness that is Cape Hatteras. Generations of Americans deserve this precious experience.

Correspondence ID: 6804 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please make sure that protection for all of the shoreline of Cape Hatteras National Seashore is secured. I am a vacationer and a wildlife lover at Cape Hatteras. I personally DO NOT use ORV's and DO NOT believe in allowing others to use them to destroy this beautiful habitat. Please, make regulations to disallow anyone from using ORV's on the beach or in the wildlife areas.

Thank you for considering my opinion. I will await to hear of the laws enacted for my concern.

Correspondence ID: 6805 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests could be disturbed and chicks be killed.

Correspondence ID: 6806 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly object to the policy of allowing ORVs the use of Parks, Reserves, Monuments, etc which are set aside for the use of the general public to visit & enjoy nature. The noisy, smelly & dangerous ORVs are completely incompatible with pedestrian traffic & wildlife. Allowing them equal status on reserves with wildlife & human foot traffic is a disgraceful pandering to vocal & self-centered minority groups. Stop pandering to special interest groups whose goals are not consistent with the general welfare!

Correspondence ID: 6807 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Lisa Frey

Correspondence ID: 6808 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We support specific, enforceable, science based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle free areas for nesting. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6809 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is unconscionable that beaches be turned into roads for the childish pleasure of a few, when significant animal life depends on beaches for foraging, reproduction and other activities. While some people can claim an economic reason for bringing their vehicles on a beach (shellfish gatherers, crabbers etc.) they are more likely to be respectful of the animal life they risk disturbing. As it is now, the general public has the right to drive on these beaches and childishly imitate the car commercials they see on TV. Unbelievably stupid!

Correspondence ID: 6810 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Lets be human beings an care for our planet and its birds, animals, fish,people no more of this terrorizing our land and its inhabitants please

Correspondence ID: 6811 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please adopt regulations to stop ORV use on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. We are losing wildlife habitat at an alarming rate.

Our National Park System ought to be the refuge for native species. They have no choice but to live in their native environment. We, humans, have a choice about were we choose to recreate. Let's not recreate using vehicles of any kind on our beaches.

- Patricia Elka

Correspondence ID: 6812 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Finally, after years of advocacy and litigation, the National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline. All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

We have made great progress in winning important protections for Hatteras' wildlife, and we can't lose traction now. I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID:	6813	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

ORV management is currently destroying wildlife in the Cape Hatteras area. ORV's need to be regulated.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6814	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches. I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.						

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. As a concerned biologist and conservationist, I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6815	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Beaches should be for people and wild life. Beaches are no place for vehicles unless in the case of an emergency.						

Correspondence ID: 6816 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please outlaw vehicles. These vehicles can go elsewhere, and should be outlawed for the birds.

Nesting is highly important for the continuation of the species. Since humans have taken away any kind of balance, we must do everything we can. Off roading can go elsewhere. That is a fun thing, not a needed thing to stay alive. The birds life depends on this.

Correspondence ID: 6817 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I'm concerned that Off-Road Vehicles at Cape Hatteras National Seashore could threaten or harm wildlife such as sea turtles and shorebirds. Please adopt regulations that would specifically protect our precous wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6818 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Special regulations re: Cape Hatters National Seashore.

The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

It is our responsibility to protect our vulnerable wildlife, and to remember our nation will be defined not by what we create but what we refuse to destroy.

Correspondence ID: 6819 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I strongly support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6820 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I slept in a tent on Cape Hatteras in 1995. I had a wonderful experience body surfing at Cape Hatteras and enjoying the natural beauty.

Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6821 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens the wildlife and natural beauty of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thanks you, Sandra Roslan

Correspondence ID: 6822 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: WHY allow testosterone laden young men to drive cars on a WILD beach full of WILDLIFE...????!!!!

Stupid idea!!!!

Correspondence ID: 6823 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6824 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off roading is environmental murder. It must be banned.

Correspondence ID: 6825 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please don't allow vehicles that could harm or disturb the wildlife in this beautiful American Park. Wildlife is a treasure that we must treat with respect and help protect. Thank you, Galicia Bloom Rene Schabu Ruth Vaca

Correspondence ID: 6826 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep off-road vehicles away from the beaches where sensitive wildlife live. There are plenty of other places to go off-roading, and our wildlife numbers are already dwindling. Thanks!

Correspondence ID: 6827 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We must protect and preserve the natural habitats of the wildlife. Usage of off road vehicles are often driven recklessly and while 'having fun' for us, the innocent animals/wildlife trying to naturally survive in their HOMES are murdered and injured leading to painful lives and eventually to extinction. No one traveling in an off road manner pays much attention to nests or areas that our wildlife calls home. WE MUST NOT ALLOW THESE VEHICLES IN THE SHORES.

Correspondence ID: 6828 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I wish you would realize the world is NOT just about humans and what they consider "fun" (such as riding off road vehicles). These vehicles certainly do have their place but NOT WHEN THEY KILL WILDLIFE. Please put an immediate stop to this.

Thank you. Dr. Robin Rysavy

Correspondence ID: 6829 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to protect our natural wildlife if we desire to continue to live on Planet Earth.

Correspondence ID: 6830 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

MY FAMILY AND I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

WE support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations.

As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving !!!

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then WE urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation.

WE support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

THESE BIRDS NEED PROTECTION AND ARE VUNERABLE TO DRIVING HAZARDS !!!

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. PROTECTION MUST BE MANDATORY !

Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. WE urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking OUR comments into considerat

Correspondence ID: 6831 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. the impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6832 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our planet has suffered enough....please make a difference when you can. The indigenous life forms at Cape Hatteras National Seashore need your protection. Please don't let this opportunity to make a difference go wasted. Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6833 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed

Correspondence ID: 6834 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposal for regulating ORVs at Cape Hatteras National Seashore is not adequate to protect wildlife and provide for pedestrian use. The temporary plan that has been in place for the last four years is much better.

Please provide specific, enforceable, science-based protection for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6835 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are plenty of spaces for racing cars.On beaches it is very probable to destroy families of small animals. Race somewhere else, the tracks for instance.

Correspondence ID: 6836 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We are going out of our way to decimate everything in the name of fun. There are plenty of other places and ways to have just

as much fun without destroying our co-inhabitants on this jewel of a planet. You must do all that you can to protect them!

Correspondence ID: 6837 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I am an avid protector of all wildlife and the restrictions that we as humans are constantly putting on areas that are Naturally Wild and are clearly for those that cannot speak for themselves, Birds! or any Wildlife.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More VEHICLE FREE areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as OPTIONAL, which is UNACCETABLE.

Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6838 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife, like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6839 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Liani Setyawan Maryland

Correspondence ID:	6840	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

As an avid birdwatcher of forty years, I have been experiencing a dramatic decline in secure, pristine bird habitat. Breeding pairs spend a lot of their energy in nestbuilding and chick rearing. A lost nest is very tragic, and directly leads to the decline of that specie. I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Please consider the lives of these animals, as they are innocent victims of this reckless, needless, and destructive human activity!

Thank you for your consideration, Dennis & Jenny Orchid

Correspondence ID:	6841	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please protect the wildlife of the shore and all areas.						

Correspondence ID:	6842	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Stop letting off the road vechiles in the part it is destroying nature these animals will be extict soon						

Correspondence ID:	6843	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please protect wildlife						

Correspondence ID:	6844	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The impacts of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use.						

I STRONGLY SUPPORT specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Yet the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and DOES NOT MANDATE any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153.

If wildlife IS NOT explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Correspondence ID: 6845 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing in opposition to special regulations that would allow off-road vehicles on parts of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore for the following reasons: 1. They will present a hazard to wildlife, particularly shorebirds and sea turtles. 2. They will interfere with the enjoyment by other visitors. 3. ORV's are a fossil-fuel burning, air polluting, greenhouse gas augmenting form of recreation that belong to a past era when we were unaware of the damage they cause, and public policy should be to discourage them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6846 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The profligacy of motor vehicles has often been problematic at best for any wildlife habitat, but the tendency of ATV and off-road vehicle drivers to be entirely irresponsible is all too sadly true. Disregard for the environment goes hand in hand with oversize, loud, exhaust-belching idiot wagons. The cliché of joyriding to achieve a sense of "freedom" is used as the key marketing tool for such vehicles, and their users epitomize disrespect and even vandalous behavior toward the countryside in which they revel. Cape Hatteras National Seashore should not be damaged by this traffic. The wildlife in the area should not be subjected to motorized assault. Please enact regulations prohibiting ATV use on the Seashore and provide protection for the native wildlife therein.

Correspondence ID: 6847 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6848 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray:

Recently, my husband and I visited Cape Hatteras National Seashore because we much value wildlife and the natural beauty of our country. Consequently, we are concerned that the National Park Service's regulation of ORVs may not be sufficient to protect wildlife in this area. The proposed plan sets aside only 26 of the 67 miles of Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. Please consider more vehicle-free areas for wildlife and walkers. Piping plovers and sea turtles rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

I was dismayed to learn in 2008 on a canoe camping trip to the Boundry Waters area out of Ely, MN, that the greatly reduced number of loons in the lakes was due to motorboats disturbing the marsh grasses where loons nest. Please don't let this happen again on Cape Hatteras.

Thank you for your consideration.

Phyllis G. Westover, Ph.D.

Correspondence ID:	6849	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use that threatens the well-being of sea turtles, shorebirds, and other shoreline wildlife. The use of such vehicles is selfish and should be discouraged.						

Correspondence ID:	6850	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	I've lived in a neighborhood overrun by OHV's for decades. They are now gone thanks to enforcement by Sheriff and BLM personnel. The wildlife is recovering, and so are the residents.						

I see no benefit to the OHV sport, while it causes untold damage to environment and other recreationists who would like to hike, run, or bicycle in the same locale. It's a sport that makes no sense, as drivers and their families get no exercise and pollute the environment instead of enjoying it.

Please make every effort to outlaw OHV sport in any location but organized OHV parks. They are both a symbol and manifestation of lawless attitudes in our society. Surely, they can find a more beneficial sport.

Correspondence ID:	6851	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Driving on beaches and dunes is a needlessly destructive and stupid activity, it's not good for the beaches, it's not even good for peoples vehicles due to the salt water damage they undergo. This type of activity has been banned at beaches in Florida like at the state park on St. Georges Island for years now.						

Correspondence ID:	6852	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray,						

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape

Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6853 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration. Alice Neuhauser

Correspondence ID: 6854 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: While I do support the right of citizens to operate off-road vehicles, I think that the damage and disturbance they cause requires appropriate limits on such activity.

Correspondence ID: 6855 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect wildlife from off road vehicles!!!

Correspondence ID: 6856 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello Superintendent Murray,

I have some comments re the National Park Service's proposed rules for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

In the current (temporary) plan, protected wildlife have made large gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

As a resident of Pismo Beach, CA, I've personally observed the negative effects of semi-regulated ORV use at the Pismo Beach Dunes - not positive for wildlife, not positive for non-ORV beach visitors, or for its community residents. Air quality issues related to ORVs, including particulate lung damage, are just beginning to be understood, but present serious public health implications for communities surrounding ORV parks. Injuries as a result of ATV operation are a public health concern as well.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and for pedestrians. ORVs degrade the quality of experience for beach goers and tourists to the region.

The proposed regulations as written treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

As a public health researcher concerned about wildlife protection, it would be unfortunate to see Hatteras become the next Pismo Dunes.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6857 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

Correspondence ID: 6858 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: These off road vehicles on beaches are totally un needed, used by a very few people and have been shown to be a very serious threat to beach wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6859 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

From a very concerned wild life lover and protector!!

Correspondence ID: 6860 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Many threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. However, if off-road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Please eliminate this irresponsible, unrestricted use of off-road vehicles that currently threatens our sea turtles, shorebirds and other irreplaceable wildlife.

Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 6861 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6862 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep this land protected for wildlife only. People should get off their butts and do some walking to enjoy an area like this. Animals can live forever in a place like this and it stays beautiful. Once you get people and their vehicles tearing around, the place and the wildlife will be destroyed in no time. PLEASE keep this area safe for wildlife and beautiful for all to share...NO VEHICLES PLEASE.

Correspondence ID: 6863 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow off road vehicles or any vehicles that my hurt and/or kill wildlife of any kind along the seashores and coastlines. It is important that we as humans do all we can to not do harm.

Correspondence ID: 6864 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: This endangered sea turtles and shorebirds need to be protected!

Correspondence ID: 6865 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6866 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please adopt driving regulations for on-beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. We need to be responsible for our environment and how we affect it and on-beach driving is harmful to the variety of wildlife that lives on the beach.

Correspondence ID: 6867 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect our precious wildlife from reckless human recreation. Please.

Correspondence ID: 6868 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the

Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6869 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very much opposed to unrestricted off road vehicle use in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The impact of these vehicles on shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the beaches is profound and very disturbing. We really need some strong regulations to keep vehicles on the roads and away from the beaches and other sensitive areas for wildlife. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6870 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We have taken enough away from the environment. These creatures need to be protected & the off-road vehicles restricted to keep them safe!

Correspondence ID: 6871 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration

Correspondence ID: 6872 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Unregulated is too dangerous. It good to have rules and organization.

Correspondence ID: 6873 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned that the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore does not go far enough to protect wildlife and the quality of recreation for nonmotorized users.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More

vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration. Dan McCurdy

Correspondence ID: 6874 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds, as well as the wild horse population.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. The wildlife are an integral part of the seashore experience, both to be enjoyed by visitors and those who dwell there and as a support to the entire environment. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6875 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6876 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

Please ban the use of off road vehicles!

Correspondence ID: 6877 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I'm concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing the use of off-road vehicles on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Expand their use there could jeopardize threatened and endangered wildlife that has made great strides under the current interim plan.

The Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife and human pedestrians.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6878 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It concerns me deeply to think that a park protected for the sake of the wildlife that lives there could be threatened by off-road vehicle use. I urge you to ban such vehicles from the park. Their impact could be quite devastating if unchecked and would be detrimental to the wildlife, ecosystem, and ultimately the appeal of the park for its natural beauty.

Correspondence ID: 6879 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our Eastern coast and it's wildlife areas precious and precarious natural resources. There has been far too much damage already. The beaches are for walking not vehicles or oil drilling.

Sincerely, Melody Hobbins

Correspondence ID: 6880 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We are on the duty, to reserve life, so our planet keeps functioning , that will mean well fare for us.....

Correspondence ID: 6881 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am asking that the National Park Service support regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore that protect wildlife and the unique environment.

In recent years, a temporary plan limiting ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. Please continue such a plan that supports specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Please protect more that 26 miles of the seashore for pedestrians and wildlife all year.

Thank you!

Correspondence ID: 6882 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ORVs on public land are a bad idea. The only exception is in RESTRICTED small areas designed for them.

Correspondence ID: 6883 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and

pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

I urge you to act for the long term benefit of wildlife and the important future of our natural world to our children.

Correspondence ID:	6884	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	ff-road vehicles have destroyed enough of our environment. Restrict their use to keep animals & nature safe!						
Correspondence ID:	6885	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	What is wrong with walking? Healthier for humans, wildlife and the land. Please keep these very distructive vehicles out of beautiful and sensitive areas! I have personally witnessed the massive erosion caused by the tacks of these vehicles on mountain trails. They kill whatever native is growing on the land, leaving it vulnerable not onkynto erosion, but weed infestation. Thank you.						
Correspondence ID:	6886	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
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Correspondence ID:	6887	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Please stop those recreational vehicles from damaging ourenviornment at the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. in today's economical troubles these off road vehicules use and destroy the terrain.						
Correspondence ID:	6888	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	The wildlife along the shoreline should be protected always from off road vehicles. The shorelines should be off limits to beach driving. Please regulate to protect all species of wildlife that use the shorelines as part of their habitat. Thank you.						
Correspondence ID:	6889	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	leave no gray area here please--please take specific, sustained measures to protect this important place. I'm from the west, but made a trip here in spring of 2010. Saw a single Piping Plover along these outer banks, a memorable experience. Please do what's necessary to protect this fragile place and it's inhabitants.						
Correspondence ID:	6890	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand						

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Correspondence ID: 6891 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: keep off-road vehicles off the National Seashore!

Correspondence ID: 6892 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is time for vehicles to be banned form all Nat'l Parks. Walking would do all of us a lot of good!

Correspondence ID: 6893 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6894 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: My family has a house in Kill Devil Hills, NC, and although I now live in California, the beauty of the Outer Banks is to me still beyond compare.

I urge the National Park Service to do all it can to protect wildlife on the Outer Banks, particularly on the beaches of Cape Hatteras. There is room for both people and nature to coexist, for birds, turtles, and plants to thrive and be protected while visitors enjoy these rugged beaches for years to come.

It would be nice if no protections were needed for threatened shorebirds and turtles that nest on Hatteras' beaches, but unfortunately, these areas are so heavily used, specific protections must be instituted. Without safeguards, wildlife will surely suffer, and the unspoiled beauty that makes these beaches so special will possibly be destroyed.

Please do all you can to preserve wildlife on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Thank you.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Burruss

Correspondence ID: 6895 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I live in southwest Colorado, and am very familiar with issues surrounding offroad vehicles and their impacts on habitat and wildlife. It is a nationwide problem that needs to be dealt with on a local level.

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Correspondence ID: 6897 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please regulate vehicle driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore to protect the wildlife which lives there--nesting bird, sea turtles, and all. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6898 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow off road vehicles to be driven on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore!! It is way too important to preserve the wildlife that would be negatively affected if these vehicles are allowed there.

Correspondence ID: 6899 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6900 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed. It is unacceptable that human use be allowed to have such a negative impact on a specific environment. Use of such lands is a privilege, not an absolute right and we need to learn to share spaces with the non-human animals that also inhabit this planet. We can have areas for recreational use that do no mean the destruction of another species.

Correspondence ID: 6901 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ---Sample letter--- Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6902 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing in support of specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. The Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a delicate and valuable nesting area that has benefited from previous protections, please don't open it up to more vehicle traffic. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6903 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Recreation for humans should never, under any circumstances, take priority over the lives of living beings. Protect the entire beach front from vehicles and support the propagation of living beings, especially sea turtle which are in dramatic decline world wide.

Correspondence ID: 6904 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It's enough already. Animals were here first. How much do we have to destroy before we wake up.

Correspondence ID: 6905 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please enforce science based rules regarding the elimination of off-road vehicles in areas where birds and other wildlife nest and raise their young.

Correspondence ID: 6906 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please consider the delicate wildlife and put a stop to off-road vehicle use on the beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6907 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I was just at Cape Henlopen last week. The point of the park is closed to visitors to create a safe breeding ground for sandpipers, turtles and horseshoe crabs. I couldn't help wondering how it came about that the shore just next to the protected area is like a parking lot pulled up to the sea with SUV's of every stripe being used as bases for fishing. I picked up while there that the area is very Republican. Why is it that the Republican party has come to believe that National resources are divinely provided consumables just for them to have for lunch.

Correspondence ID: 6908 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please restrict off-road vehicles use in areas where wildlife is threatened. Boundaries are an important part of life.

Correspondence ID: 6909 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6910	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Remember we vote						

Correspondence ID:	6911	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	PUT IN RULES TO REGULATE ALL THE TRAGEDIES, STOP THEM.						

Correspondence ID:	6912	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	(41 out of 67 miles)						

Dear National Park Service representative,

The Cape Hatteras National Seashore regulation sets aside a small area to protect wildlife from ORV use (26 out of 67 miles) and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after 3 years of temporary protections, that number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank, Tamir Pokorny

Correspondence ID:	6913	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	protect these animals and do what you can to see that they live.						

Correspondence ID:	6914	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug.30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	As a long time user and supporter of the NPS system, I would like to see beaches free of vehicle use. I have seen the harassment and injury done to wildlife, and large increase in littering and dumping when driving is allowed on beaches along the Pacific Ocean in Washington state where I live now.						

Please severely limit or prohibit driving on beaches. Wildlife needs safe havens in this day. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6915 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Let's walk and not have vehicles in special places!

Correspondence ID: 6916 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6917 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I firmly protest that any vehicle is allowed permission to this wild area where they can interfere with the freedom and survival of wildlife.

Please do not allow this to happen to nature and creation.

Terry Sullivan

Correspondence ID: 6918 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please, allow wildlife to continue flourishing in this country. We have already threatened thousands of animal here and abroad; it is time to stop.

Thank you,

Julita.

Correspondence ID: 6919 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I urge you to implement year round protection for shore birds, turtles and other sea creatures and their nesting sites, that live on and/or frequent the Cape Hatteras Natural Seashore; and refuse permission for Off Road Vehicles tearing across the sand, or having any access to these beaches.

It is unfortunate, actually tragic, that after years of destroying our environment and the animals that live here, even in our parks

we still lack the wisdom to protect what is quickly disappearing due to our own negligence, and stupidity.

Do you really think when coming ashore the birds and turtles know the difference between "protected" miles and sacrificial miles set aside for abuse? You are sentencing many to untimely demise, before they ever have a chance.

Millions of people visit the shore for it's beauty and diverse wildlife.

In addition, it is time you consider the economic advantages of keeping a place in tact, rather than destroying it. The balanced functioning of the earth economically far outweighs the cost of services we'd have to pay to clean up our own mess.

If you want to consider Off road vehiculars, give em a big pit where nothing grows and nothing lives, instead of turning a beautiful, cherished shoreline into a sand pit.

Thank you for your efforts. Our future is in your hands. Best wishes. Susan Colton

Correspondence ID: 6920 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep motorized vehicles off of beaches.

Correspondence ID: 6921 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Keep off road vehicles off Cape Hataras. They have plenty of places to ride. The birds don't.

Correspondence ID: 6922 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please consider limiting ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas.

Correspondence ID: 6923 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6924 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: National Seashores should be zealously protected for our wildlife treasures. Please save our beaches from the destructive off road vehicles!!!!!!

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6925 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please prevent vehicle death of wildlife in Cape Hatteras.

I oppose unrestricted off-road vehicle use in these areas, period. Please adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Thank you.

Rick Roberson 832-368-1065

Correspondence ID: 6926 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife should be explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan.

All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I understand that ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. I am totally opposed to this and support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. We are counting on you to provide these protections for wildlife!

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6927 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect this endangered species by stopping all beach vehicles into their habitat. I am concerned that this species will be extirpated in my own lifetime. We need to protect as many species as possible to avoid a dearth of species diversity in the world. Thank you for considering my comments.

Correspondence ID: 6928 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It has come to my attention that, recently, the National Park Service agreed to set aside some of Cape Hatteras National Seashore for vehicles to drive on the beach. What is disturbing is that only 26 of the 67 square miles comprising the seashore are given to habitat for native wildlife. As it is, the wildlife are imperiled there due to human contact, environmental pollution of their habitat, and, recently, due to Hurricane Irene.

Allowing vehicle traffic onto the seashore only endangers (possibly, permanently) the native wildlife. I urge the National Park Service to draw up another plan that would increase protections for native wildlife while still allowing some vehicular traffic onto the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, as well as cleaning up and maintaining a healthy breeding and migration area for the native wildlife of the seashore.

Thank you for your consideration and time invested in reading my comment and in this issue.

Correspondence ID: 6929 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Who / what are integral to the life of our planet ? Living beings ? Clearly ! Machines, even when desired by humans ? Clearly NOT !

Ever seen the "Terminator! films ? There's a lesson there !

DO NOT sacrifice nature to pseudo-technology ! ! ! !

Correspondence ID: 6930 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: There are enough off-road vehicle areas without the need to expose shoreline wildlife to the inherent dangers. There need to be restrictions on the impact to the environment.

Correspondence ID: 6931 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore as it does not do enough to protect wildlife.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers at the expense of both pedestrians and wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6932 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am writing to urge you to reconsider the proposed ORV access restrictions, which I believe are insufficient to protect the fragile ecosystems and wildlife of Cape Hatteras.

As a taxpayer in NC who has spent much time in OBX over the years, I am deeply concerned about how this issue has been hijacked by extremists who insist that any limitations on beach driving are unacceptable. I have participated in local comment boards, and hope that you too have seen the hateful, vitriolic tone taken by those who believe it is their "right" to drive on the beach without limit. I hope you recall last summer's intentional and brutal slaughter of a mother sea turtle on Ocracoke Island by someone illegally driving on the beach at night during nesting season.

Supporters of unlimited ORV access wail about impending economic doom, despite the fact that Dare County has seen an increase in revenues from visitors under the interim plan. Eco-tourism is on the rise and would benefit from sensible ORV limits.

Under the interim plan, protected wildlife has seen impressive gains. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. Unfortunately, the proposed Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. I am very disappointed that the toxic rhetoric of those who rebel against regulation in any form, and who hold our nation's wild places in such low regard, has been so effective in intimidating the Park Service into coddling a vocal minority of extremists at the expense of wildlife -- and of the majority of visitors to the Seashore who DO NOT drive on the beach.

The proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional. This is unacceptable. I am asking you to revise this plan to include or expand current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your time.

Correspondence ID: 6933 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am a retired professor of chemistry and an avid 4 wheeler in the Colorado mountains. Like many others I respect the Colorado wildlife in using my Jeep. Why can't those on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore?

Correspondence ID: 6934 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regulate off road and 4 wheel drive vehicles in National parks and Seashores.

They are often recklessly driven and can obliterate ground living and nesting animals in an instant. Their hours and locations should be carefully chosen to ensure that the NATURE part of natural remains.

Correspondence ID: 6935 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Sir or Madam:

Could you please restrict usage of off-road vehicles to areas that do not contain bird species that would be threatened?

Thank you for your time,

Melissa Milloy

Correspondence ID: 6936 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: The proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6937 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our experience with ORV on the Gulf Coast leads me to urge you to prohibit any ORV with the single exceptions of Park Service and emergency vehicles. To open the barrier islands to this sort of traffic will further endanger sea turtles, shore birds, dune protection-and perhaps human visitors to these fragile beaches. In a nation struggling with obesity, I see no reason to facilitate less activity. Make them walk!

Correspondence ID: 6938 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6939 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: To Whom It May Concern:

The users of those offroad vehicles which destroy habitat would be as content with a gravel or asphalt surface IF it had hills or sharp drops--a parking lot with topography. But those who drive to Cape Hatteras to watch and enjoy its flora and fauna do not do damage. The Park Service can devise regulations which distinguish between 'off-roadies' and naturalists, preserving the life and beauty of Cape Hatteras for future generations.

V. Silver

Correspondence ID: 6940 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect wildlife at all times. It is our duty to conserve the nature we share this planet with.

Correspondence ID: 6941 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Hello, I am concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation concerning ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Expanding ORV use will adversely affect wildlife there.

Therefore, I strongly support strong limitations and regulation of ORVs at the Seashore to protect wildlife. The proposal significantly reduces the amount of protection. We need more, not less, vehicle-free areas for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6942 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: no off roading in our national parks or beaches,please

Correspondence ID: 6943 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6944 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am highly concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing off-road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has made gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007 made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6945 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please don't shortchange our national parks. thanking you in advance i am sincerely

Correspondence ID: 6946 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please set aside wildlife protection areas to protect sea birds and turtle nests from ORV (off road vehicle) driving on the beach on Cape Hatteras.

This place is a national jewel and the loss of wildlife would mean a drop in tourism that draws the off-roaders there in the first place.

It is easy to cut a limb from a tree, but once severed, show me the person who can replace the limb. That is true power. ~ The Buddha

Correspondence ID: 6947 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please protect shoreline wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6948 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do everything you can to protect our environment. If the ecosystem dies, we die.

Correspondence ID: 6949 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: please reserve a little more than just 26 of the 67 mile stretch for wildlife preservation. please ensure any loopholes are closed

for corporate or public interests to circumvent.

Correspondence ID: 6950 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Re: Cape Hatteras National Seashore

Please include protections for wildlife and pedestrians to include current protections for wildlife.

Thank you,

Calvin Jutila

Correspondence ID: 6951 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent: I strongly support regulation of ORV's at Cape Hatteras Seashore, but please use your authority to increase protections for the beautiful animals that use the shores as a vital nesting and feeding ground. Preservation of environment benefits us all. Thank you in advance for your wise actions.

Sincerely, Vivian Velasquez

Correspondence ID: 6952 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
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Sincerely, Vivian Velasquez

Correspondence ID: 6953 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am deeply disturbed if the government is planning to lower restrictions on disturbing birds and wildlife in their nesting areas - it is extremely important to me that humanity not continue to wipe out other species...

Correspondence ID: 6954 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: People do not need to drive on the beach. They can walk and get some exercise. I am sure that most of the people who want vehicles allowed need to lose some weight.

Correspondence ID: 6955 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Our hearts go out to everyone affected by Irene. However, having just read the alert concerning the affect of ORV's on the shore, my question is why allow them without protections for wildlife?

Our wild places are disappearing and everywhere in our world wildlife is being shoved aside. We should be the caretakers of our earth and its beings so that future generations can enjoy them!

Correspondence ID: 6956 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please exclude off road vehicles from shore bird nesting areas. Humans have taken over a majority of lands that were once homes of so many other species. Lets practice more live and let live, so we "humans" may also live. We are all interdependent for health and well being. Thank you.

Correspondence ID: 6957 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Wildlife preservation & habitat must be an enforced priority; by banning motor vehicle use. We must promote public education in the use of & needs of wildlife protection areas. It is my Strong belief that if we fail to protect we will fail to exist as a species.

Correspondence ID: 6958 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off the road vehicles are very destructive to the land they ride on. They need to be restricted to certain areas and definitely off limits of sensitive ecological areas that plants and animals depend on for their life!

Correspondence ID: 6959 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We need to start eliminating off road vehicle use of our shoreline. There are too many threatened wildlife issues cropping up. It's time that people begin paying more attention to important issues rather than to entertainment for themselves. We have become a culture of Me, Me, Me.....and it is sad.

Correspondence ID: 6960 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am opposed to the free use of offshore vehicles which are now given the right to churn up wilderness areas and beaches.

Off road, all terrain vehicles should be kept of areas where they may destroy nature and wildlife and limited to designated tracks.

Correspondence ID: 6961 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

As someone who enjoys horseback riding in our National Forests and parks and who has also enjoyed mucking about the woods in my SUV, I fully understand both sides of this issue. However, it is now time for Nature to win this war and for those who protect it to fully stand up for the wildlife we must protect.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6962 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Protect these species from off-road vehicles is a no-brainer!

Correspondence ID: 6963 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am always deeply disturbed to see that people can drive on the beach. I find it very unnecessary to disturb wildlife in this way. I really hope that laws are put in place so that this stops.

Correspondence ID: 6964 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: It is not right that we humans have fun and get the adrenaline rush while destroying the wild -- whether animals or plants, or Mother Earth herself. We need to have respect for our environment.

Correspondence ID: 6965 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please eliminate all off road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. I feel that there should be a permanent ban on the use of these vehicles here and in many other areas of the country; Please do this immediately.

Sincerely,

Frank Asturino

Correspondence ID: 6966 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please establish more strict enforcement on off road vehicles to protect wildlife. Once these wildlife is gone, they are gone forever. Please prevent it before it is too late.

Correspondence ID: 6967 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I oppose elements of the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but I do not like the fact that the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. Many more vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is TOTALLY unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6968 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I enjoy basting around in the sand also. However, when my fun kills other animals that depend on the beach for their existences, then they should get priority over human fun. Protecting wildlife should come before human play.

Correspondence ID: 6969 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted.

I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6970 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray, I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. This is extraordinarily good news for such a short period of time. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Thank you for your consideration. I hope the wildlife and natural beauty continue to be available for future generations of visitors to the Hatteras Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6971 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Especially with the entire East Coast of the United States recovering from what will not be the last hurricane of the season, responsible National refuge attendants must take extra steps to minimize negative impacts on wildlife and their habitat. 'Tis your job.

Correspondence ID: 6972 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please keep dangerous vehicles out of the wild!

Correspondence ID: 6973 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6974 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID:	6975	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	We support regulating strict ORV usage at Cape Hatteras National Seashore because it certainly would be harmful to nesting birds and such wildlife. Our birds are decreasing especially those who can't compete with the prevalent birds such as Common Raven and American Crow etc.						

ORV users are loud and aggressive when such aggression is not necessary and the activity they engage in is wild, out of control, and dangerous. If only ORV drivers were respectful of where they are driving things would be better. Not to mention how many times these drivers are seriously injured.

We met an ORV group once at a hotel one night on the island of Kauai. When we mentioned we were birders, the group - actually young and intelligent - looked surprised and said "who?!"

Please educate ORV drivers. They need it.

Thank you,

Carolyn Straub with husband Steve McHenry San Jose, California

Correspondence ID:	6976	Project:	10641	Document:	41993	Private:	Y
Name:	private						
Received:	Aug,30,2011 00:00:00						
Correspondence Type:	regulations.gov						
Correspondence:	Cape Hatteras National Seashore is a national treasure visited by millions of people each year taking in the natural beauty, the wildlife diversity and 67 miles of shoreline. But the impact of unrestricted off-road vehicle (ORV) use has taken its toll on the threatened and endangered shorebirds and sea turtles that nest on the seashore's beaches.						

Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. If off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

The National Park Service is poised to adopt regulations for beach driving on Cape Hatteras National Seashore, however, the proposed regulation does little to protect wildlife nesting areas.

The proposal only sets aside areas for ORVs and does not mandate any specific measures to protect wildlife from beach drivers. And it reserves just 26 of the Seashore's 67 miles of beach for pedestrians and wildlife year-round, setting aside the rest for year-round and seasonal beach driving.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife. In 2007, protected sea turtles created just 82 nests on the shore. And in 2010, after three years of temporary protections, that

number rose to 153. If wildlife is not explicitly protected under the Park Service's plan, these numbers could easily decline.

ORV advocates want the entire seashore open to beach driving. I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting. One wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

Please oppose unrestricted off road vehicle use that threatens sea turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. Please help stop off road vehicles from killing shoreline wildlife.

Correspondence ID: 6977 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: ORV should not be allowed at Cape Hatteras National Seashore there are protected birds out there and they need protection! It is a pity people can't give animals a place of peace, where they won't be bothered!

Correspondence ID: 6978 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I had the privilege of growing up in Volusia County--home of Daytona Beach and New Smyrna. Driving on the beach should NOT be an option.

Correspondence ID: 6979 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please adopt regulations that would not only restrict the use of off-road vehicles on beaches but also protect endangered wildlife. Any use of off-road vehicles should be sharply restricted to matters of necessity. To the extent that people are permitted to use such vehicles on the beaches, they must be made aware of nesting wildlife, with signs and other methods of information distribution; also, nesting areas should be, to the extent possible, roped off to prevent access by drivers or pedestrians. Any violations of the regulations should result in hefty fines for violators. Piping plovers and other endangered wild creatures have no choice but to nest on beaches - including the beaches of Cape Hatteras National Seashore - as a matter of pure survival. Use of off-road vehicles is almost never a matter of survival for humans. Federal regulations must reflect this reality. Thanks.

Correspondence ID: 6980 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

I was born and raised on the east coast, and some of my favorite memories are going with my family on trips to various beaches including the Outer Islands and Cape Hatteras. Even though I now live in the west I am very concerned about the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Under the current interim plan, protected wildlife has seen huge gains in the area. Sea turtles that only created 82 nests in 2007, made 153 in 2010. Piping plovers and other shorebirds are rebounding. If you expand ORV use across the Seashore, threatened and endangered wildlife could be impacted. I strongly support regulation of ORVs at the Seashore, but the Park Service plan protects beach drivers more than it does wildlife. The proposed plan sets aside currently only 26 of the 67 total miles of the Seashore for year-round wildlife and pedestrian use with open to year-round or seasonal beach driving. More vehicle-free areas are needed for wildlife and pedestrians. As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore. Please leave the area pristine. I would love to bring my grandson to see this magnificent area as I saw it with my family. Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6981 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: band off road vehicles on beaches

Correspondence ID: 6982 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Not only are offroad vehicles dangerous to the wildlife, but they are dangerous to people on the beach. Vehicles, except safety or EMI, must be banned as they destroy habitat, kill wildlife, and endanger humans. I have witnessed it first hand.

Correspondence ID: 6983 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Please do not allow cars to continue to kill our shore birds.

Correspondence ID: 6984 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: Threatened species like piping plovers rely on lands along Cape Hatteras National Seashore to survive. But if off road vehicles are permitted to use huge portions of the Seashore, their nests and chicks could be disturbed.

In recent years, a temporary plan that limits ORV use near protected wildlife nesting areas has been working to protect wildlife.

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All it takes is one wrong step by a piping plover into an area that is not protected, and it could be run over.

I support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting.

Correspondence ID: 6985 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: We must preserve the wild areas for the protection of birds and other wildlife. This is their home and they cannot protect themselves from motorized vehicles. There are other places where people can use such vehicles where it doesn't interfere with the wildlife. This is a National Seashore! Not a off road playground. We must protect, preserve and restore our national parks...not degrade them. The environmental impact and the hazards involved with vehicular traffic in sensitive areas is unacceptable. Thank you for considering this request.

Correspondence ID: 6986 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

Correspondence: To Superintendent Murray,

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Thank you Elizabeth Nelson

Correspondence ID: 6987 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private

Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00

Correspondence Type: regulations.gov

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Thank you for your consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6988 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Regarding proposed rule: Special Regulations, Areas of National Park System: Cape Hatteras National Seashore (Document ID NPS-2011-0005-0001)

Can you not do whatever is necessary to keep self serving off-road vehicles from decimating our precious wildlife? It makes no sense for human beings to seek instant gratification from a thrill ride in a habitat that provides no safety for the birds and other animals who call it their home. Does it not make more sense to provide physical barriers and legislation for these species of wild life who cannot protect themselves? It's the least we can do before they all become extinct. Please think about it. Thanks for listening.

Correspondence ID: 6989 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I am writing in protest that your proposed beach driving regulations are not strong enough. They will not do enough to prevent injury to nesting and other wildlife. Year round protection of just 26 of 67 miles of shoreline is insufficient. ORVs should be limited to areas where they will not impact any wildlife. It would be better to ban them outright, as their use on the seashore has nothing to do with enjoying the natural amenities and everything to do with thrill seeking and lust for speed. You absolutely need to protect all nesting areas from abuse and damage. To allow ORVs to overrun the shoreline is abandoning a science-based approach and kowtowing to the basest elements of our society.

Correspondence ID: 6990 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: don't destroy ocean front land by allowing off road vehicles they will only want more and more and will never have respect for our delicate enviroment. thanks

Correspondence ID: 6991 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Policymaker,

I urge you to stop the unregulated use of off-road vehicles on the Cape Hattera National Seashore. This area of unparalleled beauty (I've enjoyed vacations there) needs our protections from these vehicles, which do enormous damage. There are plenty of places for the riders of these vehicles (of which I am one) to ride. the seashore isn't a place we should be.

Thanks for your time, Ken Mundy

Correspondence ID: 6992 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Off road vehicles don't belong where animals and birds are raising their young.

Correspondence ID: 6993 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug.30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: Dear Superintendent Murray,

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As it is currently written, the proposed regulations treat wildlife protection as optional, which is unacceptable. Please revise this plan to include current buffers and other explicit protections for wildlife like piping plovers and sea turtles that rely on the Hatteras Seashore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Barb Hauser

Correspondence ID: 6994 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the National Park Service's proposed regulation for managing ORV use of Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

I support a regulation that closes all of the Seashore to beach driving to protect wildlife and to protect this resource for future generations. As written, the regulation prohibits ORVs year round on only 26 of the 67 total miles of Seashore beach. The entire area should be closed to beach driving.

If the Park Service does not close the entire Seashore to beach driving, then I urge you to include specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and pedestrians in the regulation. I support non-driving buffers around nesting birds and turtles, their nests, chicks and hatchlings, and specific protections for migrating and wintering shorebirds.

As it is currently written, the proposed regulation treats wildlife protection as optional, and this is simply not acceptable. Please add buffers and other specific, mandatory wildlife protections to the regulation. I urge you to include science-based protections for all natural resources that strictly adhere to the "Highest Degree of Protection" as outlined in the USGS Protocols for Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Correspondence ID: 6995 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: As a North Carolina resident, I am writing to ask you to impose strong regulations on off road vehicle use in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Off road vehicles damage critical habitat and harm threatened and endangered sea turtles and birds, as well as impeding other pedestrian beach users. Please protect wildlife and other beach users by imposing strong restrictions on off road vehicles in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Correspondence ID: 6996 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y
Name: private
Received: Aug,30,2011 00:00:00
Correspondence Type: regulations.gov
Correspondence: We support specific, enforceable, science-based protections for wildlife and additional vehicle-free areas for nesting turtles, shorebirds and other wildlife. Please insure that we conserve and protect those values for which this National Seashore was included in our National Park system.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Jeff and Susan Sloss

Correspondence ID: 6997 **Project:** 10641 **Document:** 41993 **Private:** Y

Name: private
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Correspondence: I really must speak out for the wild life because I know there will be makers of off road vehicles and those who enjoy the sport who will be flooding the lines of communication.

At what point is something sacred? When we allow human activity to plow into a wild area, it is gone forever. Must this activity be in sensitive areas? Let areas already ruined and paved over, now decaying become an "enterprise zone" for this sport.

Think about it! Must we move into wild land and continue to ruin it? We are acting like spoiled children defecating on a beautiful gift.

Sincerely, Elaine C. Daniels

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