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Mike:

We use two general strategies at ASIS: 1) We manage the landward boundary of our OSV route to maximize the availability of upper beach habitat and thereby reduce conflicts between OSV users and colonial waterbirds, oystercatchers, as well as listed species. 2) When breeding activity is detected and if there is a potential for conflict, we will modify the OSV route (usually by narrowing the width as much as possible, reducing speed, and increasing educational efforts) to increase the buffer between the birds and OSV users. For listed species, we will sometimes go a step farther, and close the route at the point of conflict if necessary to ensure protection. We have not yet taken that extra step for non-listed species although I could see it happening in certain circumstances. In most instances, breeding activity by non-listed species occurs in the same general areas utilized by listed species (piping plover) which results in additional protection for the non-listed species.

Carl

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Hello Seashore Resource Managers,
What sort of closures, buffer zone distances, or other restrictions/protections do you use at your parks for mating/courtship, nesting, and/or unfledged chicks of American Oystercatchers and Colonial Waterbirds (whatever species you may have) in areas with ORV use (if ORVs are allowed)?

I'm hoping for a short, quick response. Just want to get a quick sense of what other seashores are doing for non-T&E bird species. Already have info for CALO.

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Thanks in advance for your help.

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