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Hi Mike, I am new to the OBX scene and will arrive April 1st, 2007 for a week of fishing. There are two things that I want to share with you. First, I received an email from stumpbugz for beach buggy rental and I was most unaware of this type of rental. I wish to convey my thought that if these vehicles (like the dunes buggies near Lake Michigan) are anything like that on Cape Hatteras then you need to consider taking action to halt such rentals on the beach first, before any other action. There is a need for fishing activities (which might require access due to failing health reasons to the beach) with proper vehicles (4X4 types).

I cannot imagine all the problems and complaints at the beach concerning these buggies, but I will become familiar. If these dune buggies are running up and down the beach in fast mode like I saw on "youtube" today then there are real problems. Any change on access should ban these buggies first and make each individual person responsible for obtaining a beach access permit rather than granting blanket privileges to the rental owners and therefore unfettered access to non-fisherpersons. Please convey my letter into the record at the hearings on beach access if not already completed.

My second thought is why does the National Seashore not open to camping until May when there is so much activity the first of April? The motels cannot meet the demand in April. I have already found out there is a problem in April and your facilities are not yet open. Why? Can it change next year?

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