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Mike Murray Superintendent, CAHA

Re: Status Quo clarification needed on map Hatteras Island Ranger District, Map 2 of 4 and Map 3 of 4 Buxton

Superintendent Murray,

I have been diligently going over the maps in the workbooks and seem to have found either an error or possibly just where the map scale is so small that I can't read it.

The first area in question is the area between the Old Lighthouse Site and Ramp 43 and concerns what (and where) the NPS is classifying this area (seasonal, non seasonal and permanently closed to ORV area). I cannot tell where the closed to ORV year round boundary starts north of ramp 43. The seasonal ORV boundary of this area does not extended north to the lifeguard beach at the old Lighthouse site.

The area north of ramp 43 is part of the oldest continuing passive access area in CAHA. By my 35 years of observation it is the most popular and highly used area by non-ORV recreational users in the Park. It affords easy walking access to both drivers of SUV's and 2 wheel vehicles with parking lots at either end in addition to ORVs being able to park on the beach to access the southern portion of this passive recreational area.

The second area in question is the area south of ramp 38. The area from just north of the Haulover to Buxton was, Not Open To ORVs Year Round. In sections of this beach there have been no vehicles since sometime from in the middle to late 70's.

The exact status of these areas is very important concerning my constituents' comments to the options workbook. Could you clarify what the status quo of these sections of CHNS are?

Respectfully,

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Jim