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To: [Mike Berry](#)
Bcc: [Mike Murray](#)
Subject: RE: USGS Protocols--Complete Study
Date: 05/12/2008 04:20 PM

<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/parkHome.cfm?parkId=358>

Mr. Berry,

I would encourage you to first thoroughly explore the PEPC website (at the address above) and see if you can locate the information requested (or any information you may need). We post a lot of information on this Park Planning website. If you need assistance navigating to this website, call me.

The USGS protocols are located in the Interim Strategy section, if I remember correctly.

After checking it thoroughly, if you do not find the information, email me with your request.

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Hi Cyndy, this situation out there is really depressing to watch from here in Chapel Hill. I really feel bad for all you Park Service folks, I know none of you signed on for this. Again I truly admire your public service professionalism and happy you kind of folks are out there.

Cyndy, I need a complete copy of that USGS Protocols for birds and turtles. I need the complete study so I can finish my comments and suggestions for review by the reg.neg committee. I've been

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looking for
that study for the last four years as was told previously there
were no
copies. Robert Davis just handed his copy to me out of the blue
last
week. I gave it only a brief read and had to give his copy back.
Please
send me or tell me where I can get a copy. My address is:

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Thanks and best wishes
Mike Berry

-----Original Message-----

From: Cyndy_Holda@nps.gov [mailto:Cyndy_Holda@nps.gov]
Sent: Sunday, May 11, 2008 9:23 AM
Subject: "Press Release: Vandalism of Resource Protection
Closure Signs
Results in Expansion of Buffer"

(See attached file: 051108ResClosureViolation.doc) (See
attached
file:
2008_5_10_ternsign_vandel.jpg)

Vandalism of Resource Protection Closure Signs Results in
Expansion of
Buffer

Vandalism of symbolic fencing marking a shorebird closure in the
South
Beach area of Cape Hatteras National Seashore was discovered
early
Saturday
morning. Approximately 1.7 miles east of Ramp 49, a park ranger
patrolling
the area discovered and documented twelve posts with "Area
Closed" signs
broken off at the sand line and several carsonite closure
markers pulled
out at the shoreline. During the investigation, two sets of
footprints
were found along the edge of the fence line that extended from
the dunes
to
the waters edge. No footprints or tire tracks were observed
entering
the
closed area which was established to protect a least tern
colony; no
birds
appeared to have been disturbed during the act of vandalism. As
prescribed
in the court ordered Consent Decree, this closure violation
resulted in
a
mandatory expansion of the closure area by 50 meters to the
west.

The recent court approved Consent Decree related to shorebird
and sea
turtle protection at the Seashore requires the National Park
Service to
automatically expand the closure area by 50 meters if a
confirmed
deliberate act disturbs or harasses wildlife or vandalizes
fencing,
nests,
or plants. Park staff documented the site and expanded the

closure as
ordered in the Consent Decree.

Superintendent Mike Murray reiterated the need for all parties
to meet
the
Consent Decree requirements. "I urge everyone to consider that
future
acts
of intentional vandalism to resource protection areas will
result in
greater expansion of the buffers. These expansions are not
discretionary
under the Consent Decree," stated Murray.

For more information about closures at Cape Hatteras National
Seashore
and
visitor opportunities, visit the park's webpage at
www.nps.gov/caha.