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Warren,  
I'm copying Mike Murray and the Park Law Enforcement Specialist on this email.  
I'm not sure if they can do DNA testing with the footprints or not....but maybe one  
of the Ranger staff folks will know.

Yes, there are American Oystercatcher nests at Oregon Inlet. There are no Piping  
Plover nests at Bodie Island that I know of but there are nesting American  
Oystercatchers and a least tern colony is established.

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Cyndy,

I again raise the issue of Eco Terrorists. Is it possible to try and obtain  
DNA samples from the foot prints in the sand? If someone is bare footed I  
would guess there is skin left on the beach. I for one would volunteer to  
have a DNA sample taken to prove my innocence. I know what the agreement  
said, but there needs to be some justice. After all everyone is innocent  
until proven guilty.

Are there any nests at Oregon Inlet? If not should we not be in pre nesting  
closure?

Thanks,

Warren

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Second Act of Vandalism of Shorebird Closure Fencing

A second vandalism incident to a signed resource protection area was discovered by Cape Hatteras National Seashore staff on Friday, May 16th, 2008. Park staff found over 1,500 feet of fence protecting an American Oystercatcher nest had been damaged. This closure area is located on the ocean side of Hatteras Island, about .8 of a mile north of Buxton in a pedestrian use only zone.

The park ranger called to investigate the vandalism found that 20 fence posts had been broken, five signs pulled out of the sand, and three carsonite closure signs are missing. The ranger documented one set of bare footprints going from post to post on the beach and then into the dune area. The footprints entered the closure area; however, the nest appeared undisturbed. Over 1,300 feet of fencing was damaged on the west side of the dune and about 274 feet combined on the north and south sides on the open beach.

A recent Consent Decree related to shorebird and sea turtle protection at Cape Hatteras National 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 50 meters (164 feet) to the south as ordered in the Consent Decree. This closure expansion is located in a pedestrian only area and will not affect ORV users.

Destruction of government property and entering a resource closure are federal criminal violations, each subject to up to a \$5,000. fine and up to six months imprisonment.

For more information, call 252-473-2111 ext. 148.