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From: <u>John McCutcheon</u>
To: <u>Mike Murray</u>

Cc: <u>Darrell Echols</u>; <u>Norah Martinez</u>; <u>Paul Stevens</u>; <u>Britta Muiznieks</u>

Subject: Re: Fw: Little Kinnakeet soundside access

**Date:** 06/12/2008 06:08 PM

Mike,

Currently there is soundside access at little Kinnakeet.

There are two other unofficial roads that satellite off of the main access road leading to the sound behind the old USCG station. Both of these roads (more like grown-in pathways) are marked off as closed. I, nor any of the current LE staff placed those signs in at little Kinnakeet. One of the roads leads to a small cemetery which I walked early this morning. I am gathering history from previous LE Rangers (pre-2006) on the rationale as to why the signs are in place and are closed.

One reason is that there was uncontrolled "four-wheeling" and other illegal activity which caused resource damage. There were as little as only two LE Rangers assigned to Hatteras during 2004 and 2005, thus, insufficient staffing to monitor these roads.

My opinion is to leave them closed to ORVs but one of them could be managed for pedestrian access (needs mowing, etc). Both roads are grown-in with vegetation and are deeply rutted. Only one of the closed roads leads to direct additional soundside access.

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06/05/2008 McCutcheon/CAHA/NPS@N 11:23 AM Martinez/CAHA/NPS@NPS

EDT Subject: Re: Fw: Little Kinnakeet soundside access

I don't have any resource concerns in this area. I think John put the carsonite in because he thought it was an "unofficial" road that people had started using.

## Britta

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06/05/2008 08:29 AM Echols/CAHA/NPS@NPS, Cyndy Holda/CAHA/NPS@NP Subject: Fw: Little Kinnakeet soundside access

08:29 *F* FST

Sounds like there is no "maintenance concern" about having the soundside access reopened at Little Kinnakeet.

**John**, What are your thoughts about it?

**Britta**, Are there any resource concerns in this area?

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To Mike Murray/CAHA/NPS@NPS

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06/04/2008 03:34 PM Subject Fw: Little Kinnakeet soundside access

Mike,

Thought I would forward this to George as he has worked at Little Kinnakeet for many years. Don't know if it helps any.

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## Charlie

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06/04/2008 12:37 PM

Subject

Re: Fw: Little Kinnakeet soundside access

Charlie, it has always been my understanding that this access was one of many in the park. There are (2) more between Kinnakeet and Avon village. To my knowledge it is used by locals and tourists alike for the beach, fishing, hunting during the duck season, etc. It is also part of an access to (2) cemeteries where many local (village of Avon family members, some that served at the Little Kinnakeet LS Station ) folk's are buried. I Have noticed that portion has the carsonite signs across its access and wondered why? I have not heard anything but would greatly suspect that the Avon natives are somewhat up-set! George

Charles Sellars

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## Any thoughts?

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Subject Little Kinnakeet soundside access

John,

We were asked at the last RegNeg meeting" Why is the soundside access at Little Kinnakeet blocked off? Is there a good reason to keep it closed? Is it possible to reopen it?

Your thoughts?

(Anyone who knows the history, feel free to weigh in on this.)

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