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Subject: What a difference from Memorial Day

Memorial Day weekend the park service was not only cooperative with our efforts to inform people but also recognized that we were providing a public service by diffusing things before people got to the beach. Steve even expanded the permit to hand out informational flyers.

The first day of this weekend we experienced the following:

- Ramp 55 permit area was the southern end of the grassy strip between the parking lot and the road. The volunteers who set up there were confronted by a law enforcement ranger. After a call, he informed the volunteers that they could use enough of the areas to accommodate two beach chairs. He further noted that they could not place a single foot on the macadam. He stated that if they violated these parameters, he would shut down the permit.
- Ramp 38 permit area was the northern end of the grassy strip between the parking lot and the road. The idea was that using the grassy area would have minimal impact on the availability of parking. We have been informed that this has been changed to the first two parking spaces on the SE side of the parking lot. I guess it is better to take up parking spaces than allow us to be in close proximity of the ramp--that is, who the hell is going to go to the southern end of the lot and we dare not go to them.
- The park service has objected to the practice of placing flyers on windshields.

I did ramp 49 for a few hours and will all the people stuck the traffic backed up past the bend in the road. I would have been much more effective if my feet were not stuck in a 15 x 15 foot area. Clearly, I could have walked the line, explained why they were waiting, reminded them of tire pressure and offered flyers. But no, not allowed. For you legal beagles, is the current set of rules a violation of our constitutional right to free speech???

Finally, labor day we need to make a choice. Do we stand up and exercise our right to free speech in an effective manner or do we take the manpower that would be applied to park ramps and focus it elsewhere--i.e. more businesses.