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Subject: GAO Contact Request for Upcoming Survey on Off-Highway Vehicle Use
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Mr. Murray,

The Government Accountability Office (GAO) has been asked by Congress to provide information about off-highway vehicle (OHV) use on public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management, the Forest Service, and the National Park Service. As part of this study, we are conducting a web-based survey of land managers at each BLM Field Office, National Forest, and National Park units designated as lakeshores, seashores, national recreation areas, preserves, parks or monuments. The survey will ask questions about (1) OHV use trends over the past five years; (2) environmental, social, and human health and safety impacts of OHV use; (3) management of OHV use and enforcement of OHV regulations; and (4) challenges land managers face in addressing OHV use.

Jerry Case, Regulations Program Manager at NPS headquarters indicated that you could identify an appropriate individual in Cape Hatteras National Seashore to respond to this survey. Even if the seashore has little off-highway vehicle (also called off-road vehicle) use, we need someone to complete the survey.

We are requesting that you respond via email to Janice Poling at polingj@gao.gov by Wednesday, September 3 to identify one contact person from Cape Hatteras National Seashore and provide the information listed below. This will allow us to pre-populate the survey instrument and minimize the amount of time individuals will need to spend filling out the survey.

Name
E-mail
Telephone number

We plan to conduct the survey via the Internet in late-October. Prior to the beginning of the survey, the identified individual will receive additional information via e-mail about the survey, including a user name and password, as well as the URL they can use to access the survey. Thank you for your time, and please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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