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**To:** [Mike Murray](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: ramps  
**Date:** 02/02/2009 10:30 AM  
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01/30/2009 03:04 PM

Subject Fw: Re: Fw: ramps

Paul

I replied to this info request 1/29/09, I received back a message send error from your box saying that your box was full. So here it is again,,,,if you have cleaned out your box.

David

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To: Paul Stevens/CAHA/NPS@NPS, Mike Murray/CAHA/NPS@NPS  
From: David Carter/CAHA/NPS  
Date: 01/29/2009 18:12  
cc: John McCutcheon/CAHA/NPS@NPS  
Subject: Re: Fw: ramps

I'm attending training in Charleston, SC and don't have reference material on this subject available, but from what I recall the "Sport Fishing Zone" in 36 CFR 7.58 refers to hauling nets or haul seines **onto the beach**. Even though it does not specifically say it, dorys launched and retrieved with nets loaded in the dory I believe would also be included. Nets could be set or anchored in the area but not anchored onto shore, (depending on state regulations). The ramps referred to are I believe from the 1974 draft ORV plan, and from my knowledge when I first moved to

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Buxton in 1976. Old Ramp 22 was about 1/4 to 1/2 mile north of Buxton and is no longer there. Old Ramp 30 is now designated as Ramp 45 which is at the back of the Cape Point Campground. The Beach access ramps are now numbered by the "Park" mile, which begins at the southern Nags Head beach. The sound side access routes were unofficially marked in the early 2000's just for a reference point. They are numbered in accordance with the NC 12 HWY miles

As to the NC State regulation on the 1/2 mile fishing zone, there is certain time of year that commercial fishing is not allowed, I do not know the exact dates. The state regulation that I know of actually listed a GPS coordinate as the center and the no commercial zone was a half mile circle around that GPS point. That was last year, well now two years ago, since then I **think** that has been changed to the physical land mass of the point, **check with NC Marine Fisheries to be sure** .

As for a drum kill. This past fall I counted about 8 large **black** drum washed up on the beach around the Cape Point area. I don't know if this was just a coincidence or a result of trawlers, there were no other species of fish that washed up with the black drum.

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-----Paul Stevens/CAHA/NPS wrote: -----

To: John McCutcheon/CAHA/NPS@NPS, David Carter/CAHA/NPS@NPS  
From: Paul Stevens/CAHA/NPS  
Date: 01/26/2009 14:35  
Subject: Fw: ramps

Hey John/David,

Please draft a response to the e-mail below.

Thanks,

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Subject Fw: ramps

Paul

Can you help answer this?

Thanks

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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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**From:** "jeffrey" [wheatland@charter.net]  
**Sent:** 01/20/2009 03:39 PM EST  
**To:** Mike Murray  
**Subject:** Re: ramps

Mike,

I should have been a bit more clear...in any case I had a good laugh at my expense. I apologize for using your staffs valuable time on a wild goose chase. My query dates from early December when I saw Omega Protien boats deep into the "Hook" west of Cape Point. An issue I called NCDMF about and was told that as far as they knew, as long as the OP boats were 1/2 mile from the Point they were ok. Having seen the effects of OP on the Chesapeake Bay, I was concerned. Sadly, since their arrival, in spite of "good water" there are no more fish to be caught. What has happened is drum kills from Cape Lookout north.

Though I have yet to ascertain the meaning or significance of a congressionally mandated "sportsfishing zone", I wonder if they are in violation of said zone. I hope so because I'd like to see it stop.

My question should have been where were the original "beach access" ramps numbered 22 and 30; as I know ramp designations have changed repeatedly. As the law reads, 36CFR7.58.(6) (in part) "A zone is established for the protection and enhancement of recreational sport-fishing commencing at Beach Access Ramp No. 22 and continuing south and west along the ocean shore, including Cape Point (Cape Hatteras), to Beach Access Ramp No. 30."  
I hope this simplifies the question.

Thanks,  
Wheat

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

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Cc: <[Cyndy\\_Holda@nps.gov](mailto:Cyndy_Holda@nps.gov)>

Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2009 11:57 AM

Subject: Re: ramps

> Hi Wheat,

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> Park staff have looked in the archives for the information you requested  
> but cannot find anything, including maps, identifying 30 ORV ramps. See  
> attached for information in 1979 and 1980 proposed plans that identify  
> ramps. I also saw one reference to "Ramps 1-30" but it appeared to mean  
> the ramps numbered "1, 2, 4, ...23, 27, and 30" as opposed to meaning there  
> were actually 30 ramps. I also assume you are asking about the ocean beach  
> access ramps, but not including the soundside access points, which are  
> numbered and sometimes referred to as "ramps."

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> (See attached file: Ramps.1979 Proposed New Plan.pdf) (See attached  
> file: Ramps.1980 North District ORV Plan.pdf)

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> I hope this helps. If you do come across a map showing 30 ocean-side

> ramps, I would appreciate a copy.

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> Mike Murray

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> Mike,

> I hope you've had an exceptional holiday season. You certainly deserve it.

> All the best to you and your family.

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- > Somewhere in all of the mass of documents you have at your disposal must be
- > a listing and location of the original ramp locations which were numbered
- > 1-30.
- > I suspect that 30 was on Ocracoke as that would concur with the nascent
- > planning of CHNSRA.???
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- > Your help is, as always, greatly appreciated.
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- > Jeffrey "Wheat" Golding
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