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Carol,

I'm not sure how this information would help you in analyzing potential impacts of the various ORV management alternatives, but I pass it along as an FYI.

Bob Eakes (Red Drum Tackle) and I talked this morning about the apparent relative impacts on his business of the general economic recession vs. local beach closures under the consent decree. Bob's business in Buxton is highly influenced by the access status of Cape Point. Bob reported the following revenues for the same time period in 2007 - 2009:

<u>Jan 1 - June 15</u>	<u>Gross sales</u>
2007	\$335,000
2008	\$245,000
2009	\$204,000

It is Bob's belief that the reduction in revenue in 2008 (compared to same period in 2007) was largely due to beach closures under the consent decree, since the recession was not a recognized "issue" at that point. He believes that the 2009 figure may be compounded by the recession, but is still largely due to the closures.

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