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From: [Britta Muiznieks](#)
To: [Mike Murray](#)
Cc: [Cyndy Holda](#); [Doug McGee](#)
Subject: Fw: fact check
Date: 06/25/2009 03:43 PM

Mike-
This may be more information than you need.

This AMOY pair has nested in the same general area (vicinity of Hatteras Overwash Fans) in 2005, 2006, and 2008. All of these nests were found in May. This year the banded bird of this pair was first observed on April 8th and was not observed again until June 9th and was immediately observed exhibiting breeding and territorial behavior near last year's nest location. We will never know for sure, but we assume that this pair nested off-shore in 2007 and possibly again this year. We have not documented this pair to have successfully fledged any young during nesting attempts on the Seashore.


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06/25/2009 02:14 PM

To: Mike Murray/CAHA/NPS
cc: Britta Muiznieks/CAHA/NPS@NPS, Cyndy Holda/CAHA/NPS@NPS
Subject: Re: fact check 

Mike,

Looks good to me, except we did have LETEs attempting to nest at Hatteras Inlet in 2007.

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**Mike
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06/25/2009 01:44 PM

To Britta Muiznieks/CAHA/NPS@NPS, Doug
McGee/CAHA/NPS@NPS

cc Cyndy Holda/CAHA/NPS@NPS

Subject fact check

Britta or Doug,

At your convenience, please review my draft message to Bob Eakes below and let me know if the information provided is factually correct.

Thanks,

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**Mike
Murray/CAHA/NPS**

06/25/2009 11:34 AM

To reddrumtackleadmin@embarqmail.com

cc

Subject correction

Draft

Hey Bob,

Cyndy mentioned that I apparently gave you inaccurate information about black skimmer (BLSK) breeding activity at Hatteras Inlet when you and I talked about Cora June Island. The correct information is that we've had an obvious increase in black skimmer nesting at three locations this summer (Bodie Island Spit, Green Island, and South Point Ocracoke), but no observed BLSK breeding activity at Hatteras Inlet. We have no way of knowing where the BLSK at the three sites came from. At Hatteras Inlet Spit, we have had a small amount of least tern nesting for the first time in several years. The recent closure just south of the overwash fans that has precluded access further south was due to breeding activity of an American oystercatcher pair that staff believe may have come from an off-shore island (but have no way of proving). I regret the confusion.

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