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Sandy,

Attached are round 2 comments on the Glossary. Will now start on round 3 review of previous edits to Chapters 1-3.

(See attached file: Glossary\_110609.mbm cmts.11.20.09.doc)

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Bigger /remaining issues – CAHA Reg-Neg meeting 02/03/09

NOTE – need copy of map shown on screen - not available yet

**Turtles and night driving** – does night driving have to be prohibited to provide the required protection for the species? Can't there be driving but restrictions? What is a reasonable restriction?

Stories were told of both turtles being disturbed by vehicles and their lights/occupants, and also of turtles not being disturbed by these same actions. (gets back to the science- what are the documented effects and causes?)

**Lightscares and impacts of lights** – not just from ORVs – should we also be looking at light from houses, villages – isn't this a bigger threat than night driving? Why not also restrict people who go to beach and use flashlights and flash cameras?

**Areas designated as closed year round for ORV in red (mainly spits /points issue)** – why can't these be seasonal restricted areas (like shown in purple) if there would be resource-driven restrictions enforced as needed? Why do these need to be closed year round, especially in the winter? (what is the difference between purple and red on the map?) NOTE: the response from the environmental group rep was focused on concerns about non-breeding birds in winter (in combination with other seasonal concerns) – See below – this new information that was supplied recently indicated to the environmental group that year-round protection was best, but others felt the low level of use in winter would not adversely affect these birds, and the summer season concerns could be handled by seasonal resource closures.

**New information is now available about non-breeding birds** – but it seemed that only the environmental group had seen it. This resulted in a lot more red (no ORV year-round) areas on the maps from the environmental group, and these areas were areas of disagreement more than they had been before.

Need to supply this information to whole group. Scientific validity of this information was questioned, but answered.

**Adaptive management** – why not willing to change some of the red areas to purple (seasonal) or even green (ORV allowed year-round) if, after these areas are closed to ORV for several years, there is little if any improvement in birds? Also, what measure/number are you looking for that will determine if the closure to ORV has been successful?

**Carrying capacity** – in relation to the question about what kinds of visitor/pedestrian uses would be acceptable in some areas that are closed to ORV but have resource concerns, the answer was often it also depends not only on the activity, but also on how much or how many of these more active uses are going on at any one time – e.g. volleyball, horseback riding, etc? Should there be a recreational carrying capacity? (a lot of discussion that is not necessarily ORV management, but resource management). Could there be fewer year-round ORV restrictions if there could be carrying capacities adopted?

**Pea Island** – although this has been hashed over before, there was definite disagreement if the use on this island can be considered in this plan – not changed, but used to help put % of seashore available to different groups in context.

**Dogs** – came up at end of meeting – concern that limitations would have economic implications.