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Hi Irene,

In general, please understand that under the NEPA process once a major planning document such as the DEIS is released to the public, NPS does not typically provide responses to individual questions about the document until the release of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS), at which time written responses to substantive comments will be provided as part of the FEIS. That said, I hope to assist you in finding the information you are seeking.

The USGS protocols are still posted on the NPS PEPC website (under the Interim Strategy document list; document name starts with "2006 03Mar 02...") at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/document.cfm?parkID=358&projectId=13331&documentID=12970>

"In press" generally means the reference document is in the process of being published. In this case, after the conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking process NPS asked USGS to take another look at the protocols because of continuing questions about them. I understand that USGS decided to integrate the various reports into a single comprehensive document and will publish it soon as an "open file report". When we hear it has been published and is available from USGS, we will let folks know how to access it.

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Mike,

I went on PEPC Web site a few days ago to try to find "Recommendations for Management of Endangered Species at Cape Hatteras National Seashore," and I couldn't find it on the site. Tried a couple times. Finally found it in a link with an archived article in Island Free Press. (Maybe this is operator error!)

Also I notice that in the Reference section of the DEIS on Page 660, there are two notations with that entry. One says "in press" and the other says "U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 2009-1262."

Can you tell me what those notations mean?

Also, I notice that using the old link, the protocols were posted on the PEPC site in 2006, but I cannot find a date on the document itself. What is the date on the document?

Thanks,

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