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Subject: Re: Post on internet - OBX connection
Date: 05/27/2010 09:27 AM

Frank,

It is my understanding that several common eiders have been spotted in the area adjacent to the old CAHA Lighthouse parking area (north and south of the groin). They have attracted quite a bit of attention from the birding community because this is late in the season to see common eiders this far south, especially as far south as Cape Point. They reach their wintering southern limits offshore off Cape Hatteras National Seashore and are sometimes seen directly off from the Oregon Inlet groin (annually for several years now).....but it is unusual to see them this late in the season. Normally by now, they are on their way to the Arctic for their breeding season.

Cape Point is currently closed to public entry. Only NPS staff are allowed inside the closure to conduct monitoring and other administrative duties associated with natural resource protection issues or to perform maintenance on signage, if need be. There has not been any entry by the general public into the Cape Point closure that we are aware of.

Hope this rough ocean stirs some fishing up for you and the visiting public once it settles back down again! Beautiful day out there today.....Enjoy!

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Cyndy Holda,

The following was posted on OBX connection and sent to me and others for our thoughts on the post.

<http://www.obxconnection.com/outer-banks-message-board/showthread.php?t=18978>

"Pat Moore just called to say that two male common eiders were spotted this afternoon adjacent to the groin at the old lighthouse location. Marcia Lyons, Sydney Maddock and his wife Ann were birding the Point this afternoon with a visitor (Denny Moore). The two birds were easily viewable and very close to breeding plumage. Pat noted that common eiders have been logged at Pea Island (on the sightings clipboard) from not only Oregon Inlet but also the Avon Pier this spring."

Cape Point is closed to the public and my only question is - Is the truth in this post or is it fiction?

I appreciate a reply to this email and thanks.

Frank