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 Cyndy Holda

 Subject:
 Re: Concern

 Date:
 05/27/2010 09:52 AM

Dear Ms. Rakestraw:

We appreciate receiving your message. The public comment period on the draft Offroad Vehicle Management Plan / Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Cape Hatteras National Seashore closed on May 11, 2010. If you have an ongoing interest in the issue, more information is available on-line at: http://parkplanning.nps.gov/caha, then click on

If you wish to be added to our emailing list to receive additional information (beach access reports, press releases, etc.), please contact Cyndy Holda at cyndy_holda@nps.gov and request that your name be added to the mailing list.

Thank you for your interest!

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05/25/2010 09:31 AM

Subject Concern

Good morning Mr. Murray! I just finished reading an article in the Pampered Pet that NPS is in the process of writing a new management plan for the seashore management on Hatteras Island and that with the Alt. F plan, they are wanting to restrict or do away with human activity as well as restrict pets from being allowed on a huge amount of the island. I think this is a shame and it will only hurt the area if this is allowed to be placed into affect. You will put more people out of work because the tourism will drop so drastically if such restrictions are put into effect. Also, it is ashamed to try and restrict people from bringing their pets which are parts of the family along on vacation. My husband and I are here this week with our 2 dogs. We are responsible pet owners along with many others who bring their pets on vacation with them. We enjoy having our ENTIRE family together for a week long retreat. If you want to put restrictions, start fining people more for not cleaning up after their pets. We have a pet

scooper that we carry with us when we are on the beach to clean up after our pets. We also rent from Hatteras Realty and I thought it was awesome this year when they gave us not only pet tags for identification as their rental guest but also a handy little container with doggie cleanup bags. Items like this are all that is necessary to help clean up after pets.

I hope that the NPS will not agree to try and put into place such restrictive options for this area. It will be a very sad day if they do and it will hurt a lot of people. The island will suffer, the people trying to make a living on the island will suffer and travelers will suffer because I for one will not be back to this area if I am not allowed to bring our family dogs along on our vacations and I would hate that because we love vacationing on this island and enjoying the relaxation we are able to achieve from our vacations here. I intend on writing my other government offices as well with my concerns as soon as we return home from our vacation.

Sincerely, Jennifer Rakestraw Madison, NC jrakestrawl@triad.rr.com