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## Ken,

I checked with Sandy Hamilton at the NPS Environmental Quality Division (EQD) regarding the use of **www.regulations.gov** vs. the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) system (**www.parkplanning.nps.gov**). NPS uses **www.regulations.gov** for public comments on <u>proposed or final regulations</u> for all park units. When the proposed ORV rule for Cape Hatteras is published for public review and comment, it will be posted on **www.regulations.gov**.

It is service-wide NPS policy to use the PEPC website for public review and comment on NPS planning and NEPA documents, such as the draft ORV plan/EIS. PEPC does not have the capability to allow public users to access individual public comments; however, the comment analysis and response to comments on the DEIS will be provided to the public as part of the Final EIS. It will describe the substantive concerns expressed by commenters and provides illustrative representative quotes from the public comments for each concern, along with the NPS response to the concern. NPS believes this is a more efficient method for the public to understand the concerns raised by commenters than reading through thousands of individual, sometimes repetitive, comments.

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