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 To:
 Sandra Hamilton

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 Doug Wetmore

 Subject:
 Re: concern #24035

 Date:
 06/30/2010 08:41 AM

I'm preparing some info. on your request to respond to N.C. Water Quality Division and James Clark comments that would seem to relate to this comment also. Will forward later today.

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Thanks, Thayer. We, too, were thinking to consider this a non-substantive comment but Jason showed us the error of our ways by pointing out that it could be a request (though an inarticulate one) to consider designating an ORV route(s) in this area. We'll assume it's the Hatteras Ferry dock and dismiss the alt element for routes there except for what's provided in revised alt F (which I have to check to see what's there) based on the information below. THANKS.

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Concern 24035: I don't know what they're talking about. Seems out of scope to me

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since this is an ORV management plan, not a critique of past actions. Also, question doesn't identify specific locations, times frames or events, or whether this deals with ORV routes or not. It probably refers to Hatteras Ferry dock and therefore the back side of Hatteras Spit behind the Pole Road. Over the past several years since Mike and I have been here, we have tried to provide access to the back side of Hatteras spit whenever it is not in conflict with safety, bird nesting, or we are able to without incurring additional damage to the vegetation and general ecological attributes of the area. Some of this area is very narrow with a small strip of sand that is subject to flooding at high tide unless one drives on the vegetation, including wetland bvergetation, that bounds it on the land side. That being the case, this seems to just be a complaint about past actions and not germane to future operations under a selected alternative.

Comment 135488: Basically the same.

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Hi Thayer,

We don't know which ferry dock this comment (rep. quote) refers to. I've looked at the whole letter and it's full of one or two sentence isolated complaints so I'm not surprised that there's no context for this comment in the letter. Any idea what this comment is referring to?

Were these soundside access points ORV routes or were they closed admin roads or something else? Did the park consider designating them as as ORV routes in this plan?

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One comment stated that NPS has not taken action to open sound access points after storms.

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Rep. Quote: In regard to the park area west of the ferry dock...numberous sound access points were lost during past storms but the CHNS has taken no action to reopen or establish access points to the sound.

Thanks.

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