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Sandy,

As described in the DEIS, the intent was to install gates for controlling beach access, but only when necessary, such as when there would be an extended resource closure that blocks access to a ramp or when a storm overwashes numerous turtle nests and/or wipes out lots of resource closure fencing and NPS needs time to restore fencing. The idea was that we would close the gates as needed on those occasions, rather than rely on portable barricades.

We did not plan for sweeping all the ORV routes at night closure time and closing the gates every night, then reopening the gates every morning. At this point, I'm not convinced that it would be necessary to do that or that it would be logistically feasible and sustainable to do it every night based on realistic staffing expectations. We will discuss it further here, so we can provide a more definitive description of our actions in the FEIS (e.g., issue could be addressed by adding an extra sentence to Table 10 and being sure it is consistent with any changes in Table 8 for "revised Alternative F").

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Hi Mike,

I am fine with Mike Steven's edited version of the letter.

Two questions on gates:

Is the Seashore comfortable that the hours of night closure identified in discussion on revisions to alternative F for the proposed rule/FEIS are early enough to allow NPS the operational ability to clear the beach and close the gates, if the final decision is to install gates?

Also, Doug checked the DEIS and couldn't find any discussion of the impacts of installing ramp gates (for the action alternatives). Were the operational costs of clearing the beach before closing the gates, included in the operating costs projected for the action alternatives?

We probably need to update the FEIS to include this discussion in Chapter 4 for turtles, and maybe for park operations and visitor experience.

Thanks.

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