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Fort Raleigh National Historic Site

Wright Brothers National Memorial

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Cape Hatteras National Seashore 1401 National Park Drive

AUG 27 2010

Manteo, North Carolina 27954

Mr. Neil Patterson, Jr. Director, Tuscarora Environmental Program 2045 Upper Mountain Road Sanborn, NY 14132

Dear Mr. Patterson:

RE: Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Cape Hatteras National Seashore (CAHA)

The National Park Service (NPS), CAHA, is developing an Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (Plan/EIS) to manage off-road vehicle (ORV) use. The Plan/EIS provides relevant information and impact analysis of alternatives for managing ORV's on seashore beaches. CAHA will also develop a special regulation for the management of ORV's within its boundaries. The target date for the completion of the Plan/EIS is December 31, 2010. The target date for completion of the associated regulation is April 1, 2011. The draft Plan/EIS is enclosed. A proposed rule has not been published yet.

In accordance with section 106 regulations, 36 CFR 800, the NPS is asking for your help in gathering information about historic properties. We are not aware of any historic properties that may be of religious and cultural significance to the Tuscarora Nation that would potentially be affected by the management alternatives described in the draft Plan/EIS. Please let us know if you have any information regarding historic properties that may be located in the potentially affected area. We have notified the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation of our intent to use the NEPA process for associated compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Stover, Cultural Resource Manager at 252-473-2111 x 153. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

