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From: Cyndy Holda
To: Trip Forman

Cc: <u>Paul Stevens</u>; <u>David Carter</u>

Bcc: Mike Murray

Subject: "Press Release: Update on NPS Re-Openings"

**Date:** 09/04/2010 11:14 AM

## Trip,

We have a team of park staff performing assessments of park facilities and park areas based on a prioritized scale in the NPS Hurricane Plan. The team has completed their assessments this morning and will be re-opening park facilities and park areas BASED ON THE PRESCRIBED PRIORITIZED LIST. Please do not remove any federal signs or closure signs at any time. Park staff will take care of the removal of signs and the re-opening of all park facilities and park areas.

We appreciate your spirit of "cooperative assistance and efforts" in times like these but park staff may be aware of other priorities that the general public may not be privy to. The closures will be lifted in a timely and safe manner according to our Hurricane Plan.

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09/04/2010 10:59 AM

Subject RE: "Press Release: Update on NPS Re-

Openings"

Hi Cyndy

Great waves at Ramp 30. surfed there last night and this morning. Beach is safe. Only needs two stakes pulled to open it, we could even do it for you if you give us the ok. This is a popular surfing beach and would be a good one to have open for the weekend.

hope everything went ok for you and the NPS crew during the storm. Have a nice weekend!

Trip

----Original Message----

## 0027962

From: Cyndy\_Holda@nps.gov

Sent: Saturday, September 4, 2010 10:43am

To:

Subject: "Press Release: Update on NPS Re-Openings"

(See attached file: 090410 NPS Reopenings & Updates.doc) National Park Service News Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: DATE: September 4, 2010 CONTACT: Cyndy Holda, Public Information Officer, 252-473-211, ext.

#### Update on NPS Re-Openings

As of 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 4, 2010, all areas in the national park units of the Outer Banks Group have been assessed for possible storm damage. National Park Service staff completed on-the-ground assessments of the status of facilities and beaches to determine when normal operations can be restored.

Ocracoke Visitor Center and Ocracoke Campground will open at 12:00 noon,
Saturday 4th; the Ocracoke Campground reservation system has been reactivated. Silver Lake boat docks have reopened. The soundside boat ramp will remain closed. The Ocracoke Airstrip opened at 9:00 a.m.,
Saturday, September 4th. Currently, Ramps 67, 68, and 70 are open for ORV and pedestrian access. Ramp 72 (South Point Road) remains closed due to flooding.

Hatteras Visitor Center and the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse will open at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, September 5th. Frisco Campground will open at 8:00 a.m., Sunday 5th; Cape Point Campground is closed for the season due to flooding. The Billy Mitchell Airstrip is open. Currently, Ramps 23, 34, 38, 43, 49, and 55 are open for ORV and pedestrian access.

Bodie Island Visitor Center will open at 12:00 noon, Saturday 4th. Oregon
Inlet Campground will open at 12:00 noon, Saturday 4th.
Currently, Ramp 4
is open for ORV and pedestrian access.

Wright Brothers National Memorial Visitor Center will open by 12: noon, Saturday 4th.

Fort Raleigh National Historic Site Visitor Center will remain closed.

NPS lifeguarded beaches are closed for the season. Due to high surf conditions and rip currents, swimming is not advised.

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