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RE: Hatteras Island Recovery Subject: 09/01/2011 11:32 AM Date:

Attachments: Hatteras Rule Extension 8-31-11 FINAL.pdf

Mr. Murray,

ASA fully supports Jim's request. The attached letter was sent to Director Jarvis yesterday afternoon. We respectfully request you act immediately to ensure the comment period is extended to allow the community a reasonable opportunity to comment on the final ORV rule.

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Subject: Hatteras Island Recovery

In light of the devastation by Hurricane Irene and the clean-up and repair that will be on going for months if not years, I am formally requesting that you do everything in your power to extend the public comment period on the Proposed ORV Rule (RIN 1024-AD85). Many of the people most affected by Irene are the same people that will be most affected by the Proposed OV Rule. A minimum extension of 30 days and up to 90 days would seem appropriate. The loss of notes, files, computers, etc. as well as the distractions of recovery will make it difficult if not impossible for many to meet the published September 6, 2011 deadline.

As a member of this community you are intimately aware of our current situation and we anticipate your efforts.

Thank you,

Jim Keene, NCBBA