

VILLAGE CLOSURE SUBCOMMITTEE**Options**

1. Status Quo
2. No driving in front of Villages year-round
3. Middle Option
 - Northern Villages: closed to ORVs from May 1 – September 30, open to ORVs from October 1 to April 30, subject to new safety closure procedures [TBD]*
 - Southern Villages: Buxton, Frisco and Hatteras – closed to ORVs year round
4. Middle Option
 - Northern Villages: closed to ORVs from May 1 – September 30, open to ORVs from October 1 to April 30, subject to new safety closure procedures [TBD]
 - Southern Villages
 - Frisco and Hatteras: closed to ORVs unless and until beach conditions improve and beach width increases, and subject to new safety closure procedures [TBD]* if opened;
 - Criteria for opening to ORVs, e.g. beach width and slope, etc. – TBD
 - Between Frisco Pier and Hatteras Village – closed to ORVs year round, designate as pedestrian only area

Additional Provisions

- Speed limit - The subcommittee recommends the Vehicle Characteristics subcommittee recommend to the Committee a uniform speed limit of 15 mph, unless otherwise posted.
- Aggressive posting of speed limits in front of the villages must be initiated by NPS and maintained throughout the open driving period.
- Protection of the dune line and environment should be a very high priority for NPS in determining if the beaches in front of the villages are able to handle driving during the eligible time frame.
- Dare County should create pedestrian access points within the villages to provide non-vehicle access along the village perimeter.
- A plan to provide incentives to current home owner associations to create additional access and for the villages to create safe off street parking.

* See attached NPS draft dated July 30, 2008.