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Park Establishes Pre-Nesting Areas for 2010 Shorebird Breeding Season

Outer Banks Group Superintendent Mike Murray announced today that National Park Service (NPS) staff will establish the 2010 pre-nesting areas for breeding shorebirds in Cape Hatteras National Seashore during the week of March 8 in accordance with the terms of the consent decree.

These temporary closures will be installed on sections of the Bodie Island Spit, Cape Point, South Beach, Hatteras Inlet Spit, North Ocracoke Spit and South Point Ocracoke by March 15, 2010. The pre-nesting areas will be marked with “symbolic fencing” consisting of wooden posts, bird usage signs, string and flagging tape.

Dates and locations for the installation of specific pre-nesting areas will be determined by prevailing weather and tide conditions. Maps of the pre-nesting areas were posted to the PEPC site on February 19, 2010, and are currently available for viewing at:

<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/document.cfm?parkID=358&projectId=13331&documentID=32277>

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