

Cape Lookout National Seashore  
As of August 29, 2013

**Management Activity**

Routine monitoring of bird (Since March 15<sup>th</sup>) and sea turtle activity (May 1)

**Closure Summary:** Shoreline Closures to Motor Vehicles are seasonal or temporary.  
*(Except for Shackleford Banks, the swim beach closure from Ramp 41 to Ramp 42 and Power Squadron Spit west of the Jetty.)*

*In general the shoreline is open to pedestrians, exceptions will be posted. Boaters can expect interior bird closures, signed closed to all entry, at the inlets and points from April 1 to August 31. Boaters are encouraged to land within 0.25 mile of the inlets. This allows pedestrians to walk the inlet shoreline for access to the ocean shoreline*

Sea Turtle Closures-

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 42b to ramp 44 is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 41a to ramp 42a is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 29b to ramp 30 is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 28 to ramp 29 is closed to motor vehicles  
For sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 26b to ramp 27 is closed to motor vehicles  
For sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 24 to ramp 26a is closed to motor vehicles  
For sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open

South Core Banks- The beach from mile 24.10 to Ophelia Inlet is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, there is no detour.

North Core Banks- The beach from mile 1.5 to mile 1.1 is closed to motor vehicles, there is no detour and access to Ocracoke Inlet is temporarily suspended.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 4b to ramp 6 is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

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North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 7b to ramp 8a is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 8b to ramp 9 is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 11a to ramp 11b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 12 to ramp 13b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 15a to ramp 15b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 17a to ramp 17b is closed to motor vehicles for sea turtle hatchlings, detour to the backroad is open.

Recently re-opened

North Core Banks- The beach from ramp 7a to ramp 7b is reopen to motor vehicles.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 42a to ramp 42b is reopen to motor vehicles.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 39 to ramp 40 is reopen to motor vehicles.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 35b to ramp 36 is reopen to motor vehicles.

South Core Banks- The beach from ramp 32 to ramp 34 is reopen to motor vehicles.

*\*Numbers are preliminary and the data will be reviewed before finalized\**

*North Core Banks numbers include middle core section.*

**Piping Plover Summary:** June 1-9 Census= 43 pairs & 2 singles for the seashore

South Core Banks- 10 pairs, 13 nests to date, 0 active nest, 0 broods, 13 fledglings

North Core Banks- 33 pairs, 39 nests to date, 0 active nests, 0 broods, 34 fledglings

Shackleford Banks- 0 pairs, 0 nests

**American Oystercatcher Summary:** 63 pairs for the seashore.

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South Core Banks- 27 pairs, 47 nests to date, 0 active nest, 0 broods, 12 fledglings  
North Core Banks- 28 pairs, 50 nests to date, 0 active nest, 0 broods, 13 fledglings  
Shackleford Banks- 8 pairs, 8 nests to date, 0 active nests, 0 broods, 0 fledglings

**Colonial Waterbirds:**

South Core Banks- 8 colonies to date  
North Core Banks- 9 colonies to date, 2 active  
Shackleford Banks- 0

**Wilson's Plover:** June 1-9 Census= 91 pairs, 10 singles

**Seashore Sea Turtle Nesting Activity to date:**

North Core Banks- 163 activities, 72 nests, 3 possible nests, 86 false crawls, 20 hatched  
South Core Banks- 179 activities, 96 nests, 3 possible nests, 80 false crawls, 22 hatched  
Shackleford Banks- 32 activities, 23 nests, 2 possible nests, 7 false crawls, 1 hatched

Seashore Total- 374 activities, 191 nests, 8 possible nests, 173 false crawls, 42 hatched