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Memorandum

To: Regional Directors at MARO, SERO, SWROFrom: ^{ACTING} Director

Subject: Inventory of Protected Coastal Barriers

On October 18, 1982, the President signed the Coastal Barrier Resources Act, which prohibits Federal expenditures and financial assistance for development on undeveloped coastal barriers of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts. The legislation represents a new approach for achieving conservation of significant natural ecosystems by eliminating the Federal government's financial participation in the development of these ecosystems. The new law established the 186-unit Coastal Barrier Resources System, within which the funding prohibition occurs, and required the Secretary of the Interior to prepare a report to the Congress containing, among other things, recommendations for additions to the System.

The Secretary's Coastal Barriers Task Force has begun to compile information on potential additions to the System. The Coastal Barrier Resources System, as approved by the Congress, contains only undeveloped coastal barriers and parts of coastal barriers. Because the legal definition of coastal barrier specifically excludes protected areas, such as national seashores, wildlife refuges, and private nature sanctuaries, as well as developed areas, these are not included in the System.

In his August 1982 Report to the Congress, the Secretary endorsed expanding the System to include protected areas. This would protect coastal barriers by reducing Federal financial support for development within the boundaries of these areas. The effect would probably be to reduce the likelihood of private development in these areas and of presently protected property being declared surplus and made available for development purposes. As recreational and certain other public interest development activities are exempted under the law, the inclusion of protected areas should not have much impact on NPS operations.

The Coastal Barriers Task Force has initiated a study of protected areas, with the objective of identifying and obtaining selected information on each protected area by April 15. A preliminary listing of protected coastal barriers has been prepared based on information from prior public and private sector inventories. A set of draft criteria, which provide the framework for identifying and documenting these areas has also been prepared. On

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February 24, 1983, the Secretary sent the draft criteria and the preliminary inventory to the Governor of each affected state, requesting comments on the criteria, as well as comments and recommendations on each listed area, recommendations on other areas which should be added, and a map and documentation of protected status for each identified area administered by an agency of state or local government. A similar letter was sent to the Chairman of the Barrier Islands Coalition by the Task Force Chairman, requesting a similar review as well as maps and documentation of protected status for privately administered areas.

The task at hand is the procurement of maps and documentation of protected status for each area. For state and local government areas, this task will, in most states, be given to the state coastal zone management program coordinator (except in NH, VA, GA, and TX which do not participate in the CZM Program). For private areas, local representatives of various conservation organizations participating in the Barrier Islands Coalition will be helping us obtain the information. To coordinate the Task Force's work at the field level, personnel in FWS and NPS regional and field offices have been identified to serve as points of contact for state personnel and people from the Coalition. These "field coordinators" will be available to answer questions on the criteria, monitor the information procurement process through personal contact with state and Coalition personnel, and arrange for the assistance of NPS or FWS field unit personnel in obtaining information to meet the April 15 deadline.

For your region, only FWS personnel have been designated as the field coordinators. They will be responsible for ensuring the timely procurement of information on identified protected areas, and seeing that it is made available to the Task Force before the deadline. Your involvement, if any, would be to arrange for personnel from NPS field units to visit local governments or organizations to obtain information in cases where FWS field personnel are unable to do so. Such requests, if FWS makes them, would probably involve limited local travel by people from NPS units on the enclosed listing within the indicated counties. In some cases, there may be travel expenses, charges for obtaining maps, or charges for copies of land instruments and other materials. If your office or the field unit is unable to absorb the costs in a particular case, please contact Al Greene (FTS 343-8114) to make arrangements for a reallocation of funds.

I have enclosed the following materials which should be of value in answering inquiries and in providing assistance in the procurement of information:

- (1) Coastal Barrier Resources Act of 1982 (P.L. 97-348)
- (2) Preliminary listing of protected coastal barriers on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, prepared by the Coastal Barriers Task Force
- (3) Preliminary draft criteria for defining and delineating protected coastal barriers (CBTF)
- (4) Sample letter from the Secretary to a state governor, outlining scope of study and requesting review comments and assistance

- (5) Letter to Laurence Rockefeller, Chairman, Barrier Islands Coalition, requesting assistance in identifying and documenting privately administered protected areas
- (6) List of NPS and USFWS Field Coordinators
- (7) List of NPS Units readily accessible to counties containing coastal barriers (Note: you may wish to send items 1-6 above to units in your region as briefing material)
- (8) List of State Coastal Zone Management Program Coordinators

Thank you for your help in this important study. Do not hesitate to contact Bill Gregg (FTS 343-8115) or Al Greene (FTS 343-8114) if any questions arise.

cc: Chairman, Coastal Barriers Task Force

Thary Lou Greer

Ninety-seventh Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the twenty-fifth day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-two*

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3:30 p.m.

DIVISION COUNSEL

An Act

To protect and conserve fish and wildlife resources, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
United States of America in Congress assembled,...*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Coastal Barrier Resources Act".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

(1) coastal barriers along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States and the adjacent wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets and nearshore waters provide—

(A) habitats for migratory birds and other wildlife; and

(B) habitats which are essential spawning, nursery, nesting, and feeding areas for commercially and recreationally important species of finfish and shellfish, as well as other aquatic organisms such as sea turtles;

(2) coastal barriers contain resources of extraordinary scenic, scientific, recreational, natural, historic, archeological, cultural, and economic importance; which are being irretrievably damaged and lost due to development on, among, and adjacent to, such barriers;

(3) coastal barriers serve as natural storm protective buffers and are generally unsuitable for development because they are vulnerable to hurricane and other storm damage and because natural shoreline recession and the movement of unstable sediments undermine manmade structures;

(4) certain actions and programs of the Federal Government have subsidized and permitted development on coastal barriers and the result has been the loss of barrier resources, threats to human life, health, and property, and the expenditure of millions of tax dollars each year; and

(5) a program of coordinated action by Federal, State, and local governments is critical to the more appropriate use and conservation of coastal barriers.

(b) PURPOSE.—The Congress declares that it is the purpose of this Act to minimize the loss of human life, wasteful expenditure of Federal revenues, and the damage to fish, wildlife, and other natural resources associated with the coastal barriers along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts by restricting future Federal expenditures and financial assistance which have the effect of encouraging development of coastal barriers, by establishing a Coastal Barrier Resources System, and by considering the means and measures by which the long-term conservation of these fish, wildlife, and other natural resources may be achieved.

SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Act—

(1) The term "undeveloped coastal barrier" means—

(A) a depositional geologic feature (such as a bay barrier, tombolo, barrier spit, or barrier island) that—

(i) consists of unconsolidated sedimentary materials,

(ii) is subject to wave, tidal, and wind energies, and

(iii) protects landward aquatic habitats from direct wave attack; and

(B) all associated aquatic habitats, including the adjacent wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and nearshore waters; but only if such feature and associated habitats (i) contain few manmade structures and these structures, and man's activities on such feature and within such habitats, do not significantly impede geomorphic and ecological processes, and (ii) are not included within the boundaries of an area established under Federal, State, or local law, or held by a qualified organization as defined in section 170(h)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, primarily for wildlife refuge, sanctuary, recreational, or natural resource conservation purposes.

(2) The term "Committees" refers to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate.

(3) The term "financial assistance" means any form of loan, grant, guaranty, insurance, payment, rebate, subsidy, or any other form of direct or indirect Federal assistance other than—

(A) general revenue-sharing grants made under section 102 of the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Amendments of 1972 (31 U.S.C. 1221);

(B) deposit or account insurance for customers of banks, savings and loan associations, credit unions, or similar institutions;

(C) the purchase of mortgages or loans by the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal National Mortgage Association, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation;

(D) assistance for environmental studies, planning, and assessments that are required incident to the issuance of permits or other authorizations under Federal law; and

(E) assistance pursuant to programs entirely unrelated to development, such as any Federal or federally assisted public assistance program or any Federal old-age survivors or disability insurance program.

Effective October 1, 1983, such term includes flood insurance described in section 1321 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4028).

(4) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(5) The term "System unit" means any undeveloped coastal barrier, or combination of closely-related undeveloped coastal barriers, included within the Coastal Barrier Resources System established by section 4.

SEC. 4. THE COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) There is established the Coastal Barrier Resources System which shall consist of those undeveloped coastal barriers located on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States that are identified and generally depicted on the maps that are

entitled "Coastal Barrier Resources System", numbered A01 through T12, and dated September 30, 1982.

(2) Any person or persons or other entity owning or controlling land on an undeveloped coastal barrier, associated landform or any portion thereof not within the Coastal Barrier Resources System established under paragraph (1) may, within one year after the date of enactment of this Act, elect to have such land included within the Coastal Barrier Resources System. This election shall be made in compliance with regulations established for this purpose by the Secretary not later than one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act; and, once made and filed in accordance with the laws regulating the sale or other transfer of land or other real property of the State in which such land is located, shall have the same force and effect as if such land had originally been included within the Coastal Barrier Resources System.

(b)(1) As soon as practicable after the enactment of this Act, the maps referred to in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) shall be filed with the Committees by the Secretary, and each such map shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act, except that correction of clerical and typographical errors in each such map may be made. Each such map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, and in other appropriate offices of the Service.

(2) As soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall provide copies of the maps referred to in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) to the chief executive officer of (A) each State and county or equivalent jurisdiction in which a system unit is located, (B) each State coastal zone management agency in those States which have a coastal zone management plan approved pursuant to section 306 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1455) and in which a system unit is located, and (C) each appropriate Federal agency.

(c) **BOUNDARY MODIFICATIONS.**—(1) Within 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary may make such minor and technical modifications to the boundaries of system units as depicted on the maps referred to in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) as are consistent with the purposes of this Act and necessary to clarify the boundaries of said system units; except that, for system units within States which have, on the date of enactment, a coastal zone management plan approved pursuant to section 306 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1455)—

(A) each appropriate State coastal zone management agency may, within 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, submit to the Secretary proposals for such minor and technical modifications; and

(B) the Secretary may, within 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, make such minor and technical modifications to the boundaries of such system units.

(2) The Secretary shall, not less than 30 days prior to the effective date of any such boundary modification made under the authority of paragraph (1), submit written notice of such modification to (A) each of the Committees and (B) each of the appropriate officers referred to in paragraph (2) of subsection (b).

(3) The Secretary shall conduct, at least once every five years, a review of the maps referred to in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) and make, in consultation with the appropriate officers referred to in

paragraph (2) of subsection (b), such minor and technical modifications to the boundaries of system units as are necessary solely to reflect changes that have occurred in the size or location of any system units as a result of natural forces.

(4) If, in the case of any minor and technical modification to the boundaries of system units made under the authority of this subsection, an appropriate chief executive officer of a State, county or equivalent jurisdiction, or State coastal zone management agency to which notice was given in accordance with this subsection files comments disagreeing with all or part of the modification and the Secretary makes a modification which is in conflict with such comments, or if the Secretary fails to adopt a modification pursuant to a proposal submitted by an appropriate State coastal zone management agency under paragraph (1)(A), the Secretary shall submit to the chief executive officer a written justification for his failure to make modifications consistent with such comments or proposals.

SEC. 5. LIMITATIONS ON FEDERAL EXPENDITURES AFFECTING THE SYSTEM.

(a) Except as provided in section 6, no new expenditures or new financial assistance may be made available under authority of any Federal law for any purpose within the Coastal Barrier Resources System, including, but not limited to—

(1) the construction or purchase of any structure, appurtenance, facility, or related infrastructure;

(2) the construction or purchase of any road, airport, boat landing facility, or other facility on, or bridge or causeway to, any System unit; and

(3) the carrying out of any project to prevent the erosion of, or to otherwise stabilize, any inlet, shoreline, or inshore area, except that such assistance and expenditures may be made available on units designated pursuant to section 4 on maps numbered S01 through S08 for purposes other than encouraging development and, in all units, in cases where an emergency threatens life, land, and property immediately adjacent to that unit.

(b) An expenditure or financial assistance made available under authority of Federal law shall, for purposes of this Act, be a new expenditure or new financial assistance if—

(1) in any case with respect to which specific appropriations are required, no money for construction or purchase purposes was appropriated before the date of the enactment of this Act; or

(2) no legally binding commitment for the expenditure or financial assistance was made before such date of enactment.

SEC. 6. EXCEPTIONS.

(a) Notwithstanding section 5, the appropriate Federal officer, after consultation with the Secretary, may make Federal expenditures or financial assistance available within the Coastal Barrier Resources System for—

(1) any use or facility necessary for the exploration, extraction, or transportation of energy resources which can be carried out only on, in, or adjacent to coastal water areas because the use or facility requires access to the coastal water body;

(2) the maintenance of existing channel improvements and related structures, such as jetties, and including the disposal of dredge materials related to such improvements;

(3) the maintenance, replacement, reconstruction, or repair, but not the expansion, of publicly-owned or publicly-operated roads, structures, or facilities that are essential links in a larger network or system;

(4) military activities essential to national security;

(5) the construction, operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of Coast Guard facilities and access thereto; and

(6) any of the following actions or projects, but only if the making available of expenditures or assistance therefor is consistent with the purposes of this Act:

(A) Projects for the study, management, protection and enhancement of fish and wildlife resources and habitats, including, but not limited to, acquisition of fish and wildlife habitats and related lands, stabilization projects for fish and wildlife habitats, and recreational projects.

(B) The establishment, operation, and maintenance of air and water navigation aids and devices, and for access thereto.

(C) Projects under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601-4 through 11) and the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.).

(D) Scientific research, including but not limited to aeronautical, atmospheric, space, geologic, marine, fish and wildlife and other research, development, and applications.

(E) Assistance for emergency actions essential to the saving of lives and the protection of property and the public health and safety, if such actions are performed pursuant to sections 305 and 306 of the Disaster Relief Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5145 and 5146) and section 1362 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4103) and are limited to actions that are necessary to alleviate the emergency.

(F) The maintenance, replacement, reconstruction, or repair, but not the expansion, of publicly owned or publicly operated roads, structures, or facilities.

(G) Nonstructural projects for shoreline stabilization that are designed to mimic, enhance, or restore natural stabilization systems.

(b) For purposes of subsection (a)(2), a channel improvement or a related structure shall be treated as an existing improvement or an existing related structure only if all, or a portion, of the moneys for such improvement or structure was appropriated before the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 7. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.

The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall, on behalf of each Federal agency concerned, make written certification that each such agency has complied with the provisions of this Act during each fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1982. Such certification shall be submitted on an annual basis to the House of Representatives and the Senate pursuant to the schedule required under the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974.

SEC. 8. PRIORITY OF LAWS.

Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed as indicating an intent on the part of the Congress to change the existing relationship of other Federal laws to the law of a State, or a political subdivision of a State, or to relieve any person of any obligation imposed by any law of any State, or political subdivision of a State. No provision of this Act shall be construed to invalidate any provision of State or local law unless there is a direct conflict between such provision and the law of the State, or political subdivision of the State, so that the two cannot be reconciled or consistently stand together. This Act shall in no way be interpreted to interfere with a State's right to protect, rehabilitate, preserve, and restore lands within its established boundary.

SEC. 9. SEPARABILITY.

If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Act and the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SEC. 10. REPORTS TO CONGRESS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Before the close of the 3-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to the Committees a report regarding the System.

(b) **CONSULTATION IN PREPARING REPORT.**—The Secretary shall prepare the report required under subsection (a) in consultation with the Governors of the States in which System units are located and with the coastal zone management agencies of the States in which System units are located and after providing opportunity for, and considering, public comment.

(c) **REPORT CONTENT.**—The report required under subsection (a) shall contain—

(1) recommendations for the conservation of the fish, wildlife, and other natural resources of the System based on an evaluation and comparison of all management alternatives, and combinations thereof, such as State and local actions (including management plans approved under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1451 et seq.)), Federal actions (including acquisition for administration as part of the National Wildlife Refuge System), and initiatives by private organizations and individuals;

(2) recommendations for additions to, or deletions from, the Coastal Barrier Resources System, and for modifications to the boundaries of System units;

(3) a summary of the comments received from the Governors of the States, State coastal zone management agencies, other government officials, and the public regarding the System; and

(4) an analysis of the effect, if any, that general revenue sharing grants made under section 102 of the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Amendments of 1972 (31 U.S.C. 1221) have had on undeveloped coastal barriers.

SEC. 11. AMENDMENTS REGARDING FLOOD INSURANCE.

(a) Section 1321 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 4028) is amended to read as follows:

S. 1018—7

"UNDEVELOPED COASTAL BARRIERS

"Sec. 1321. No new flood insurance coverage may be provided under this title on or after October 1, 1983, for any new construction or substantial improvements of structures located on any coastal barrier within the Coastal Barrier Resources System established by section 4 of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act. A federally insured financial institution may make loans secured by structures which are not eligible for flood insurance by reason of this section."

(b) Section 341(d)(2) of the Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act of 1981 (Public Law 97-35) is repealed.

SEC. 12. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of the Interior \$1,000,000 for the period beginning October 1, 1982, and ending September 30, 1985, for purposes of carrying out sections 4 and 10.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

approved 10-18-82

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Preliminary Geographic Listing of Protected Coastal Barriers

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Barrier or Location</u>	<u>County or Parish</u>	<u>Administrator</u>
<u>MAINE</u>			
Cross Island NWR	Grassy Point	Washington	USFWS
Roque Bluffs State Park	Beach S. of Mouth of Englishman River	Washington	State
Pond Island	Pond Island	Washington	Philadelphia Conservationists
Acadia National Park	Sand Beach	Hancock	NPS
Reid State Park	Sheepscot Island	Sagadahoc	State
Popham Beach State Park	Popham Beach	Sagadahoc	State
Small Point	Small Point	Sagadahoc	The Nature Conservancy
Andrews Beach	Long Island	Cumberland	State
Crescent Beach	Cape Elizabeth	Cumberland	State
Scarborough Beach State Park	Scarborough Beach	Cumberland	State
State Park	Laudholm Beach	York	State, ? NOAA
Unidentified Land	Ogunquit	York	?
Municipal Beach	Seapoint	York	Town of Kittery

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<u>NEW HAMPSHIRE</u>			
Wallis Sands State Park	Wallis Sands	Rockingham	State
Rye Harbor State Park	Foss Beach	Rockingham	State
Hampton Beach State Park	Hampton Beach	Rockingham	State

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<u>MASSACHUSETTS</u>			
Salisbury State Beach	Salisbury Beach	Essex	State
Parker River NWR	Plum Island	Essex	USFWS
Plum Island State, Park	Plum Island	Essex	State
Crane Beach Reservation	Castle Neck	Essex	Trustees of Reservations
Lynn State Beach	Nahant	Essex	State
Revere State Beach	Revere	Suffolk	State
?Municipal Beach	Humarock	Plymouth	?
Municipal Beach	Duxbury Beach.	Plymouth	Town of Duxbury
Scusset Beach Recreation Area (State Beach)	Sagamore Beach	Barnstable	State
Municipal Beach	Town Neck	Barnstable	Town of Sandwich
Municipal Beach	?E.of Sandwich Harbor	Barnstable	?
Municipal Beach	Sandy Neck	Barnstable	Town of Barnstable
Chapin Memorial Beach	Nobscusset Point	Barnstable	?Town of Dennis
Cape Cod NS	Jeremy Point	Barnstable	NPS
	Bound Brook Island	Barnstable	NPS
	Long Point, Herring Cove	Barnstable	NPS
	Provincelands (Race Point)	Barnstable	NPS
	Coast Guard Beach	Barnstable	NPS
	Nauset Beach	Barnstable	NPS

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<u>Massachusetts (Continued)</u>			
Monomoy NWR	Monomoy Island	Barnstable	USFWS
	Morris Island	Barnstable	USFWS
Municipal Beach	Harding Beach	Barnstable	Town of Chatham
Municipal Beach	Dowses Beach	Barnstable	?
Nantucket NWR	Great Point	Nantucket	USFWS
Conservation Land	Coatue	Nantucket	Trustees of Reservations Nantucket Conserv. Foundation
Joseph A. Sylvia State Park	Sengekontacket	Dukes	State
Conservation Land	Cape Poge	Dukes	Trustees of Reser- vations & others?
?County Beach	Norton Point Beach	Dukes	Dukes Co.
Conservation Land	South Beach	Dukes	Trustees of Reser- vations
Municipal Common Land	Lobsterville Beach	Dukes	Town of Gay Head
Conservation Easement Land	Nashawena	Dukes	Trustees of Reservations
Horseneck Beach State Reservation	Horseneck Beach	Bristol	State
Municipal Lands	Horseneck Beach	Bristol	Town of Westport

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<u>RHODE ISLAND</u>			
Municipal Beach	Little Compton Ponds	Newport	?
Sachuest Point NWR	Sachuest Point	Newport	USFWS
Municipal Beach	Sachuest Point	Newport	Town of Middleton
East Matunuck State Beach	Jerusalem	Washington	State
Municipal Beach	Jerusalem	Washington	?
Trustum Pond NWR	Card Ponds	Washington	USFWS
Moonstone Beach Refuge	Card Ponds	Washington	?R.I. Audubon Soc.
Ninigret NWR	Ninigret	Washington	USFWS
Ninigret Conservation Area	Ninigret	Washington	State
Winnapaug State Beach	Winnapaug	Washington	State
Municipal Beach	Napatree	Washington	?
Block Island NWR	Sandy Point	Washington	USFWS
Block Island Beach	Crescent Beach	Washington	State

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<u>CONNECTICUT</u>			
State Land	Bluff Point	New London	State
Ocean Beach Park	Ocean Beach	New London	?town and/or city
Harkness Memorial State Park	Goshen Point	New London	State
Municipal Land	Goshen Cove	New London	?town and/or city
Public Land	Black Point	New London	?
Conservation Land	Griswold Point	New London	The Nature Conservancy
?Rocky Neck State Park	Giants Neck	New London	State
Hammonasset State Park	Hammonasset Point	New Haven/ ?Middlesex	State
Municipal Park	Sandy Point	New Haven	City of West Haven
Municipal Beach	Long Beach	Fairfield	City of Stratford
Cockenoe Island	Cockenoe Island	Fairfield	City of Westport
Norwalk Islands	Plains, Ram and Grassy Islands	Fairfield	City of Norwalk

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<u>NEW YORK</u>			
Oyster Bay NWR	Ferry Beach	Nassau	USFWS
Caumsett State Park	Lloyd Point	Suffolk	State
Unidentified Land	West Beach	Suffolk	?
Unidentified Land	Crab Meadow	Suffolk	?
Sunken Meadow State Park	Sunken Meadow	Suffolk	State
Municipal Beach	Short Beach	Suffolk	?
State Beach	Crane Neck	Suffolk	State
McCallister Park	McCallisters Beach	Suffolk	?
Orient Beach State Park	Orient Beach	Suffolk	State
Municipal Beach	Shell Beach	Suffolk	? Shelter Island
Morton NWR	Jessup Neck	Suffolk	USFWS
Municipal Beach	Long Beach	Suffolk	Town of Noyack
Northwest Harbor County Park	Northwest Creek	Suffolk	Suffolk County
Cedar Point County Park	Cedar Point	Suffolk	Suffolk County
Conservation Land	Gibson Beach	Suffolk	The Nature Conservancy
Moutauk Point State Park	Oyster Pond	Suffolk	State
Hither Hills State Park	Napeague	Suffolk	State
?Amagansett NWR	Napeague	Suffolk	USFWS
Unidentified Land	Georgia Pond	Suffolk	?
?County Land	Mecox	Suffolk	Suffolk County

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<u>New York (Continued)</u>			
Shinnecock County Park - East	Shinnecock Inlet	Suffolk	Suffolk County
Shinnecock County Park - West	Shinnecock Inlet	Suffolk	Suffolk County
Ponquogue Beach	Shinnecock Bay	Suffolk	Town of South- hampton
Tiana Beach	Shinnecock Bay	Suffolk	Town of South- hampton
Cupsoque Beach County Park	Westhampton	Suffolk	Suffolk County
Fire Island NS	Fire Island	Suffolk	NPS
Smith Point County Park	Fire Island	Suffolk	Suffolk co.
Bellport Beach	Fire Island	Suffolk	Village of Bellport
Clam Pond Sanctuary	Fire Island	Suffolk	Town of Brookhaven
Davis Park	Fire Island	Suffolk	Town of Brookhaven
Atlantique Beach	Fire Island	Suffolk	Town of Islip
Robert Moses State Park	Fire Island	Suffolk	State
Oak Beach	Jones Beach Isl.	Suffolk	?
Cedar Beach	Jones Beach Isl.	Suffolk	?
Cedar Beach Overlook	Jones Beach Isl.	Suffolk	?
Municipal Parks(4)	Jones Beach Isl.	Suffolk	Town of Babylon
Gilgo State Park	Gilgo Beach	Suffolk	State

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<u>New York (Continued)</u>			
Tobay Beach (including Bird Sanctuary)	Jones Beach Isl.	Nassau	Town of Oyster Bay
Jones Beach State Park	Jones Beach Isl.	Nassau	State
Point Lookout Town Park	Long Beach	Nassau	Town of Hempstead
Nassau County Beach Park	Long Beach	Nassau	Nassau County
Lido Beach WMA	Long Beach	Nassau	USFWS
Ocean Beach Park	Long Beach	Nassau	City of Long Beach
Silver Point Park	Atlantic Beach	Nassau	Nassau County, leased
Rockaway Park	Rockaway Beach	Queens	City of New York
*Gateway NRA	Breezy Point Unit	Queens	NPS
Coney Island Beach	Coney Island	Kings	City of New York

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<u>NEW JERSEY</u>			
*Gateway NRA	Sandy Hook	Morrmouth	NPS
Island Beach State Park	Barnegat	Ocean	State
Barnegat Lighthouse State Park	Barnegat	Ocean	State
Brigantine NWR	Long Beach Island	Ocean	USFWS
	Little Beach Island	Atlantic	USFWS
Brigantine Natural Area	Brigantine	Atlantic	State
Municipal Beach	Ocean City	Cape May	Ocean City
Corson Inlet State Park	Peck Island	Cape May	State
Ocean Crest State Park	Corson Inlet	Cape May	State
Municipal Beach (? including Bird Sanctuary)	Stone Harbor	Cape May	Borough of Stone Harbor
Conservation Land	Cape May	Cape May	The Nature Conservancy
State Conservation Area	Sunset & Highbee Beaches	Cape May	State

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<u>DELAWARE</u>			
Primehook NWR	Delaware Bay	Sussex	USFWS
State Park	Broadkill Beach	Sussex	State
Cape Henlopen State Park	Cape Henlopen	Sussex	State
Delaware Seashore State Park	Indian River Bay	Sussex	State
	Little Assawoman Bay	Sussex	State
Assawoman Bay Wildlife Area	Fenwick Island North	Sussex	State

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<u>MARYLAND</u>			
*Assateague Island NS	Assateague Isl.North	Worcester	NPS
Assateague Island State Park	Assateague Isl.North	Worcester	State
*Chincoteague NWR	Assateague Isl.North	Worcester	USFWS

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<u>VIRGINIA</u>			
*Assateague Island NS	Assateague Isl.South	Accomack	NPS
*Chincoteague NWR	Assateague Isl.South	Accomack	USFWS
Wallops Island NWR	Wallops Island	Accomack	USFWS
Virginia Coast	Metomkin Island	Accomack	The Nature Conservancy
	Parramore Island	Accomack	The Nature Conservancy
	Hog Island	Northampton	The Nature Conservancy
	Cobb Island	Northampton	The Nature Conservancy
	Ship Shoal Island	Northampton	The Nature Conservancy
	Myrtle Island	Northampton	The Nature Conservancy
	Smith Island	Northampton	The Nature Conservancy
Wreck Island Natural Area	Wreck Island	Northampton	State
Fishermans Island NWR	Fishermans Island	Northampton	USFWS
Seashore State Park	Cape Henry	Virginia Beach City	State
Back Bay NWR	Back Bay	Virginia Beach City	USFWS
False Cape State Park	Back Bay	Virginia Beach City	State
Little Island City Recreation Area	Back Bay	Virginia Beach City	?
?Barbours Hill * Waterfowl Manage- ment Area	Back Bay	Virginia Beach City	?State

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<u>NORTH CAROLINA</u>			
Conservation Land	Currituck Banks	Currituck/ Dare	National Audubon Society
Conservation Land	Currituck Banks	Currituck	The Nature Conservancy
Duck Research Center	Currituck Banks	Dare	USACE
Wright Brothers NM	Bodie Island	Dare	NPS
Jockey's Ridge State Park	Bodie Island	Dare	State
Conservation Land	Bodie Island	Dare	The Nature Conservancy
Cape Hatteras NS	Bodie Island	Dare	NPS
	Hatteras Island	Dare	NPS
	Ocracoke Island	Hyde	NPS
Pea Island NWR	Hatteras Island	Dare	USFWS
Cape Lookout NS	Portsmouth Island	Carteret	NPS
	Core Banks North	Carteret	NPS
	Core Banks South	Carteret	NPS
	Shackleford Banks	Carteret	NPS
Fort Macon State Park	Bogue Banks	Carteret	State
Hammock Beach State Park	Hammock Island	Onslow	State
Masonboro Island State Park	Masonboro Island	New Hanover	State
Fort Fisher State Park	Carolina Beach	New Hanover	State
State Nature Preserve	Cape Fear	Brunswick	State

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<u>SOUTH CAROLINA</u>			
Myrtle Beach State Park	Myrtle Beach	Horry	State
Huntington Beach State Park	Drunken Jack Island	Georgetown	State
	Magnolia Beach	Georgetown	State
Tom Yawkey Wildlife Center	North Island	Georgetown	State
	South Island	Georgetown	State
Sanatee Coastal Reserve	Cedar Island	Georgetown	State
	Murphy Island	Charleston	State
Cape Romain NWR	Cape Island	Charleston	USFWS
	Lighthouse Island	Charleston	USFWS
	Raccoon Key	Charleston	USFWS
	Bull Island	Charleston	USFWS
State Natural Area and Wildlife Refuge	Capers Island	Charleston	State with LWCF grant
Conservation Land	Deveaux Bank	Charleston	Audubon Society
Edisto Beach State Park	Edisto Island	Charleston	State
Hunting Island State Park	Hunting Island	Beaufort	State

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<u>GEORGIA</u>			
Tybee NWR	Oyster Bed Island	Chatham	USFWS
Fort Pulaski NM	Savannah River	Chatham	NPS
Wassaw NWR	Wassaw Island	Chatham	USFWS
Ossabaw Island State Heritage Preserve	Ossabaw Island	Chatham	State
Conservation Land	St.Catherine's Island	Liberty	St.Catherine's Isl.Foundation, Inc.
Blackbeard Island NWR	Blackbeard Island	McIntosh	USFWS
R.J. Reynolds State Wildlife Refuge	Sapelo Island Cabretta Island	McIntosh McIntosh	State State
Sapelo Island Natural Area	Sapelo Island	McIntosh	State
Sapelo Island Nat. Estuarine Sanctuary	Sapelo Island	McIntosh	State, NOAA
Univeristy of Georgia Marine Institute	Sapelo Island	McIntosh	Univeristy of Georgia
Wolf Island NWR	Wolf Island	McIntosh	USFWS
	Egg Island	McIntosh	USFWS
Fort Frederica National Monument	St.Simons Island	Glynn	NPS
Jekyll Island State Park	Jekyll Island	Glynnn	Jekyll Island State Park Authority
Cumberland Island NS	Little Cumberland Isl.	Camden	Private, NPS Agreement with Little Cumberland Island Homes Assoc.
	Cumberland Island	Camden	NPS

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<u>FLORIDA (Atlantic Coast)</u>			
Fort Clinch State Park	Amelia Island	Nassau	State
Little Talbot Isl. State Park	Little Talbot Island	Duval	State
Recreational Park	Usinas Beach	St.Johns	St.Johns Co.
Anastasia State Park	Anastasia Island	St.Johns	State
Frank B. Butler State Park	Anastasia Island	St.Johns	State
Fort Matanzas NM	Anastasia Island	St.Johns	NPS
Washington Oaks Garden State Park	Marineland	Flagler	State
Flagler Beach State Park	Flagler Beach	Flagler	State
Unidentified land	Daytona	Volusia	?
Turtle Mound Historic Memorial	Turtle Mound	Volusia	?
Canaveral NS	Canaveral	Volusia/Brevard	NPS
Merrit Island NWR	Canaveral	Brevard	USFWS
Sebastian Inlet State Park	Vero Beach	Indian River	State
Pelican Island NWR	Vero Beach	Indian River	USFWS
Pepper Beach State Park	Jack Island	St.Lucie	State
Fort Pierce Inlet State Park	Fort Pierce	St.Lucie	State
Hobe Sound NWR	Jupiter Island	Martin	USFWS
?County Park	Jupiter Island	Martin or Palm Beach	County

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Mar-A-Lago	Palm Beach	Palm Beach	Former NPS area, legislatively deauthorized-mgd. by Merriweather Post Foundation
?State Park	Lake Worth	Palm Beach	?State
Spanish River Park	Boca Raton	Palm Beach	?
Hugh Taylor Birch State Park	Fort Lauderdale Beach	Broward	State
John U. Lloyd Beach State Park	Hollywood Beach	Broward	State
Haulover Beach Park	North Miami Beach	Dade	?
?Unidentified Land	Key Biscayne	Dade	?
Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Park	Key Biscayne	Dade	State
<u>FLORIDA (Gulf Coast)</u>			
Rookery Bay Aquatic Preserve	?Marco Island	Collier	State
County Park	Doctors Bay	Collier	Collier County
County/State Park	Naples Park	Collier	Collier Co., State
County/State Park	Bonita Beach	Collier/Lee	?Collier/Lee Co, State
Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve	Estero Island	Lee	?State
Carl Johnson County Park	Lovers Key Group	Lee	Lee Co.
Little Estero Island	Big Carlos Pass	Lee	State
J.N. "Ding" Darling NWR & Wilderness	Sanibel Island	Lee	USFWS

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<u>FLORIDA (Gulf Coast) (Continued)</u>			
Conservation Land	Sanibel Island	Lee	Sanibel-Captiva Cons. Foundation
State Land (?Pine Island Sound Aquatic Preserve)	North Captiva Island	Lee	State
State Land	Cayo Costa	Lee	State
County Park	Cayo Costa	Lee	Lee Co.
County Park?	Gasparilla Island	Lee	Lee Co.
Peterson Island State Park	Manasota Key	Sarasota	State
County Park	Manasota Key	Sarasota	Sarasota Co.
Municipal Park	Lido Key	Sarasota	?City of Sarasota
County Park	Longboat Key	Manatee	Manatee County
Coquina Beach Park	Anna Maria Key	Manatee	?
Manatee County Beach	Anna Maria Key	Manatee	Manatee County
Passage Key NWR	Passage Key	Manatee	USFWS
Egmont Key NWR	Egmont Key	Hillsborough	USFWS
Fort DeSoto Park	Mullet Key	Pinellas	State? or County?
Pinellas NWR	The Reefs	Pinellas	USFWS
Pinellas County Aquatic Preserve	St.Petersburg/ Clearwater	Pinellas	State
Boca Ciega Bay Aquatic Preserve	Sand Key	Pinellas	State
Municipal Park, (?Knob Park)	Sand Key	Pinellas	City of Clearwater
County Park	Sand Key	Pinellas	Pinellas County

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<u>FLORIDA (Gulf Coast) (Continued)</u>			
Caldesi Island State Park	Caldesi Island	Pinellas	State
Caldesi Island Aquatic Preserve	Caldesi Island	Pinellas	State
State Land	Honeymoon Island	Pinellas	State
Anclote Key State Recreation Area	Anclote Keys	Pinellas/Pasco	State
Cedar Keys NWR	Seashore Key	Levy	USFWS
	North Key	Levy	USFWS
Conservation Land	Dog Island	Franklin	The Nature Conservancy
St. George Island State Park (Dr. J.G. Bruce State Park)	St. George Island	Franklin	State
State Land	Little St. George Isl.	Franklin	State
Apalachicola National Estuarine Sanctuary	St. George Island	Franklin	NOAA/State
	St. Vincent Island	Franklin	NOAA/State
St. Vincent NWR	St. Vincent Island	Franklin	USFWS
	Cape San Blas	Gulf	USFWS
St. Joseph Peninsula State Park (T.H. Stone Memorial)	Cape San Blas	Gulf	State
St. Andrews State Park Aquatic Preserve	Shell Island	Bay	State
St. Andrews State Recreation Area	Shell Island	Bay	State
	Biltmore Beach	Bay	State
Grayton Beach State Recreation Area	Grayton Beach	Walton	State

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<u>FLORIDA (Gulf Coast) (Continued)</u>			
John Beasley (Fort Walton Beach State Park)	Santa Rosa Island	Okaloosa	State
Public Lands	Santa Rosa Island	Escambia	State/ Escambia Co.
*Gulf Islands NS	Santa Rosa Island	Okaloosa/Santa Rosa/Escambia	NPS
	Perdido Key East	Escambia	NPS

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<u>ALABAMA</u>			
State Land	Perdido Key West	Baldwin	State
Gulf State Park	Mobile Point	Baldwin	State
Fort Morgan State Park	Mobile Point	Baldwin	State
Bon Secour NWR	Mobile Point	Baldwin	USFWS
	Little Dauphin Island	Mobile	USFWS
Conservation Land	Dauphin Island	Mobile	National Audubon Soc.

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<u>MISSISSIPPI</u>			
*Gulf Islands NS	Petit Bois Island	Jackson	NPS
	Horn Island	Jackson	NPS
	Ship Island	Harrison	NPS

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<u>LOUISIANA</u>			
Breton NWR	Chandeleur Islands	St. Bernard/ Plaquemines	USFWS
	Bretons Island	Plaquemines	USFWS
Grand Isle State Park	Grand Isle	Jefferson	State
Wisner Wildlife Management Area	Camina da	Jefferson/ ?Lafourche	State
	Bay Champagne	Lafourche	State
Russell Sage Foundation-Marsh Island State Wildlife Refuge	Marsh Island	Iberia	State
State Land	Cheniere Au Tigre	Vermilion	State
Paul S. Rainey Wildlife Refuge and Game Preserve	Cheniere Au Tigre	Vermilion	Private?
State Historic Park	Cheniere Au Tigre	Vermilion	State
Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge	Rollover	Vermilion	State
	Mermentau	Cameron	State

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<u>TEXAS</u>			
Texas Point NWR	Texas Point	Jefferson	USFWS
Sea Rim State Park	Sea Rim	Jefferson	State
McFaddin NWR	Sea Rim	Jefferson	USFWS
Galveston Island State Park	Galveston Island	Galveston	State
Bryan Beach State Recreation Area	Brazos River	Brazoria	State
San Bernard NWR	Sargent Beach	Brazoria/Matagorda	USFWS
State Lands	Matagorda Island	Calhoun	State
Aransas NWR	Matagorda Island	Aransas/Calhoun	USFWS
State Lands	San Jose Island	Aransas	State
Mustang Island State Park	Mustang Island	Nueces	State
County Park	Mustang Island ?	Nueces	Nueces County
Port Aransas Park	Mustang Island	Nueces	?City of Port Aransas
Municipal Park	Mustang Island	Nueces	City of Corpus Christi
Padre Island Park	North Padre Island	Nueces	Nueces County ?City of Corpus Christi
Padre Island NS	North Padre Island	Nueces/Kleberg Kenedy	NPS
(?Andy Bowie) County Park	South Padre Island	Cameron	Cameron County
Brazos Island State Recreation Area	Brazos Island	Cameron	State

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PRELIMINARY DRAFT CRITERIA FOR DEFINING AND DELINEATING PROTECTED COASTAL BARRIERS

U.S. Department of the Interior
Coastal Barriers Task Force
November 1982

Definition and Delineation of Coastal Barriers

The separate criteria for defining and delineating coastal barriers as natural landforms were described in Appendix A of the Department of the Interior's proposed rulemaking of August 16, 1982 (Federal Register 47 [58]), from the bottom of the second column on p. 35702 to the middle of the second column on p. 35708, a copy of which is attached. The rulemaking as a whole provides the basis for previous delineation of coastal barriers by the Coastal Barriers Task Force to fulfill the requirements of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. The criteria in the indicated sections will also be utilized to provide the basis for identifying the locations of coastal barriers which will be evaluated to determine the protected areas. In conducting the inventory of protected areas, the criteria should be consulted if questions arise as to whether a particular area qualifies as a coastal barrier.

Meaning of Protected

A coastal barrier or portion thereof shall be considered to be protected if it has been withdrawn from the normal cycle of private development and dedicated for conservation, wildlife management, public recreation, or scientific purposes. Protected status requires that there be evidence of an intent on the part of the administrator to protect the coastal barrier.

Documentation of Protected Status

An area should be considered protected if one or more of the following conditions applies:

- (1) The area was established under a Federal, state, or local law which stipulates the purpose(s) of protection.
Required documentation: a copy of the law, or an appropriate legal reference to the law.
- (2) The area was established by a Presidential Proclamation under the Antiquities Act of 1906, or under a Federal, state, or local executive directive which has its basis in law.
Required documentation: a copy of the proclamation or executive directive and the law on which it is based, or an appropriate legal reference to these.

- (3) The area is subject to a deed restriction or a conservation easement which withdraws it from the normal development cycle and establishes the purpose(s) of protection.

Required documentation: a copy of the land instrument, or a certification of the nature and purpose of the instrument by the property owner or the local government.

- (4) The area is administered by an agency of Federal, state, or local government under a lease which stipulates the purpose(s) of protection.

Required documentation: a copy of the lease agreement, or a certification of the nature and purpose of the lease by the property owner or the administering agency.

- (5) The area is held by an organization within the scope of Section 170(h)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 primarily for wildlife refuge, sanctuary, recreational, or natural resource conservation purposes.

Required documentation: a brief explanation of the basis for that finding.

- (6) The owner of the coastal barrier has established the intent to protect the area through a master plan or similar document establishing the purpose of the area.

Required documentation: a copy of the plan or portion thereof establishing the area's purpose.

- (7) The owner has provided to the Coastal Barriers Task Force a written statement documenting the intention to protect the area and the purpose(s) of protection.

Required documentation: the written statement.

Areas held as undeveloped open space, for which the purpose of protection has not been established, should not be considered protected. Similarly, local zoning districts and other areas regulated by state or local governments for the purpose of restricting the nature or density of development, such as dune districts, floodplains, beaches, inlet hazard areas, setback zones, and areas of special environmental concern, should not be considered protected. Such regulation does not necessarily reflect the present intent of property owners in the regulated areas to protect the areas for conservation, wildlife management, public recreation, or scientific purposes.

Purposes of Protection

To qualify as protected, an area must be held by its owner or administrator for one or more of the following purposes:

- (1) Conservation. The purpose is to perpetuate the natural communities and processes characteristic of coastal barrier ecosystems. Examples include national seashores, public and private nature sanctuaries and preserves, and portions of many state and local parks.
- (2) Wildlife Management. The purpose is to maintain and enhance populations of game animals, waterfowl, endangered and threatened wildlife, or other wildlife through active, and in some cases intensive, management programs, often involving manipulation of wildlife habitat, wildlife populations, or both. Examples include Federal and state wildlife refuges.
- (3) Public Recreation. The purpose is to provide opportunities and facilities to support recreational use of the coastal barrier by the general public, or by residents of a particular political jurisdiction. Examples include national recreation areas and most state and local parks.
- (4) Scientific Research. The purpose is to provide opportunities and facilities for collection of baseline data, monitoring, and research relating to coastal barrier systems and associated marine and estuarine ecosystems, and for education, demonstration, and training relating to this scientific work. Examples include several governmentally operated and private field research facilities.

Size. Protected areas must be ten acres or more in total area, excluding submerged lands below mean high water.

Location. Protected areas may be located anywhere on a coastal barrier provided the minimum acreage is satisfied. Protected areas may comprise an entire coastal barrier, a bay to ocean strip, or an oceanside, bayside, or interior area.

Unprotected Lands Within the Authorized Boundaries of a Protection Unit

Certain coastal barriers, or portions thereof, are within the authorized boundaries of a protection unit administered by one or more agencies of Federal, state, or local government. These areas may contain both developed and undeveloped private tracts which are not protected by their owners. For purposes of delineating the protection unit, the legally authorized boundaries will be used without regard to the nature or level of protection presently applicable to individual tracts.



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Honorable Richard W. Riley
Governor of South Carolina
State House
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Governor Riley:

As you know, on October 18, 1982, President Reagan signed the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (P.L. 97-348) into law. In our November 22, 1982 letter to you, we noted that this law has two major elements. First, it establishes the Coastal Barrier Resources System, based upon a specific set of maps adopted by the Congress. Second, it prohibits the expenditure of Federal funds under any law, except as otherwise permitted, within the System.

The November 22 letter concerned the transmittal of maps of the Coastal Barrier Resources System units in your state, and the criteria we have developed for making minor and technical boundary changes under sections 4(c)(1) and (2) of the Act. In addition to management of the System maps, the Department has other important responsibilities under the Act. One of these is to submit a report to the Congress on or before October 18, 1985. The major purposes of this report are to make recommendations on the additions to, or deletions from, the System; modifications to the boundaries of System units; and recommendations for conservation of the fish, wildlife, and other natural resources of the System.

As an initial step in meeting this goal, we are collecting information on coastal barriers currently in protected status. This inventory will complement the data base we have compiled on undeveloped coastal barriers. Your assistance in obtaining the necessary information to identify protected coastal barriers is requested.

Section 341(d) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 prohibited the issuance of new Federal flood insurance on undeveloped coastal barriers beginning on October 1, 1983, and directed the Department to carry out a study of coastal barriers and report its findings and recommendations to the Congress within one year of the effective date of the Act. The Act contained a specific exclusion from its provisions for undeveloped coastal barriers in protected status.

In our August 1982 report to the Congress under the Act, we recommended that this exception be eliminated and that protected areas in governmental and private ownership be included within the scope of the Act. (See page 35 of the enclosed report:-)

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act applies similar prohibitions to a broader range of Federal actions and programs, including flood insurance. In defining undeveloped coastal barriers, this legislation also contains an exclusion for protected areas. Accordingly, this issue remains of concern to the Department.

In gathering information on protected coastal barriers pursuant to the study requirements of section 10 of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act, our objective is to obtain documentation on all coastal barriers in public or private ownership which are presently being administered for conservation, wildlife management, recreational, or scientific purposes. Our Coastal Barriers Task Force has prepared the enclosed preliminary draft criteria for identifying these areas. Any comments you may have on the preliminary draft criteria or the preliminary list of protected areas should be addressed to Ric Davidge, Chairman, Coastal Barriers Task Force, Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240.

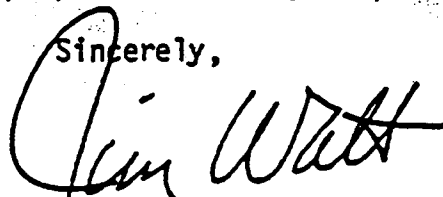
We have also enclosed a preliminary list of protected areas in your state for which the Coastal Barriers Task Force has information. Individual areas are listed by coastal barrier, county, and where possible, administrator. Because we have drawn information from many sources, your review of the listing will be of critical importance in helping the Task Force develop an accurate and complete list.

Specifically, we would appreciate your review of each listed area and your recommendation as to whether it should be considered protected under the preliminary draft criteria, or deleted, as well as your recommendations on areas which should be added to the listing. If you are aware of recent, large scale aerial photography of the areas you recommend, please let us know its scale, date, and where we may obtain a copy of the imagery. For each of the State and local government areas you determine to qualify as protected, we are requesting documentation of protection and a map showing the area's legal boundaries. The forms of documentation considered to be sufficient are listed in the preliminary draft criteria. We have also requested assistance from the Barrier Island Coalition in determining the qualifications of privately administered areas.

To enable close coordination between State and local governments and the Coastal Barriers Task Force, we have designated field coordinators in the National Park Service and Fish and Wildlife Service to serve as points of contact for assistance and for receiving information on individual protected areas. The field coordinator for your state is Mr. Roger Banks, P.O. Box 12559, Charleston, SC 29412. Please have a member of your staff contact Mr. Banks at telephone number 803-724-4707 to arrange a convenient schedule for submitting the documentation of protection and the boundary maps for protected areas under state and local jurisdiction. So that we may complete our survey as quickly as possible we would like this information transmitted to the field coordinator by March 28, 1983.

We sincerely appreciate your continuing assistance in the development of Federal policies for coastal barriers, and look forward to receiving your comments and recommendations on the proposed inventory of protected areas.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

Mr. Laurance Rockefeller
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Jan. 21, 1983

Dear Mr. Rockefeller:

As you know on October 18, 1982, President Reagan signed the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (P.L. 97-348) into law. This law has two major elements. First, it establishes the Coastal Barrier Resources System, based upon a specific set of maps adopted by the Congress. Second, it prohibits the expenditure of Federal funds under any law, except as otherwise permitted, within the System.

One of the Department's responsibilities under the Act is to submit a report to the Congress on or before October 18, 1985. We have decided to complete this report on or before October 31, 1984. Major purposes of this report are to make recommendations on the additions to, or deletions from, the System; modifications to the boundaries of System units; and recommendations for conservation of the fish, wildlife, and other natural resources of the System.

As an initial step in meeting this goal we are collecting information on coastal barriers currently in protected status. This inventory will complement the data base we have compiled on undeveloped coastal barriers. Further, as we have stated in our August 1982 Report to Congress (enclosed), we will recommend to the President the inclusion of these areas in the Coastal Barrier Resources System. Such inclusion will require a separate Congressional action. Because much of the information we need to identify privately held protected areas should be available from the conservation organizations participating in the Barrier Islands Coalition, we are asking for your assistance. We have also written to the States requesting information on the publicly held protected areas.

Our decision to recommend including protected coastal barriers was based on the Department's study of coastal barriers under Section 341(d) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. That legislation prohibited the issuance of new Federal flood insurance on undeveloped coastal barriers beginning on October 1, 1983, and directed the Department to carry out a study of coastal barriers and report its findings and recommendations to the Congress within one year of the effective date of the Act.

In our August 1982 report to the Congress, we noted that the law's exclusion of protected areas created an inequitable situation, resulting in Federal flood insurance for development continuing to be allowed within a protected area but being prohibited in an unprotected area. By continuing the development subsidy in protected areas, the exclusion also worked against the Federal interest in encouraging State, local, and private initiatives to protect undeveloped coastal barriers. We therefore recommended that protected areas in governmental and private ownership be included within the scope of the Act.

The Coastal Barrier Resources Act amended the relevant provision of the former legislation, and expanded the number of affected Federal actions and programs. However, in defining undeveloped coastal barriers, the new legislation retained the exclusion of protected areas. Accordingly, this issue remains of concern to the Department. Our recommended expansion of the System to include protected areas would not affect the actions excluded in Section 6 of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act from the prohibition of Federal assistance.

In gathering information on protected coastal barriers pursuant to the study requirements of Section 10 of the new legislation, our objective is to obtain documentation on all coastal barriers in public or private ownership which are presently being administered for conservation, wildlife management, recreational, or scientific purposes. Our Coastal Barriers Task Force has prepared the enclosed preliminary draft criteria for identifying these areas.

We have also enclosed a preliminary list of protected areas for which the Coastal Barriers Task Force has information. Individual areas are listed by coastal barrier, county, and where possible, administrator. Because we have drawn information from many sources, your review of the listing will be of critical importance in helping the Task Force develop an accurate and complete list.

Specifically, we would appreciate your review of each privately administered area and your recommendation as to whether it should be considered protected under the preliminary draft criteria, or deleted, as well as your recommendations on privately administered areas which should be added to the listing. If you are aware of recent, large scale aerial photography of the areas you recommend, please let us know its scale, date, and where we may obtain a copy of the imagery.

Any comments you may have on the preliminary draft criteria or the preliminary list of protected areas should be addressed to the Chairman, Coastal Barriers Task Force, Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240. For each of the privately administered areas you determine to qualify as protected, we are requesting documentation of protection and a map showing the area's legal boundaries. The forms of documentation considered to be sufficient are listed in the preliminary draft criteria.

To enable close coordination between the Coastal Barriers Task Force and cooperating states, localities, and organizations, we have designated field coordinators in the National Park Service and Fish and Wildlife Service to serve as points of contact for assistance and for receiving information on individual protected areas. The field coordinator for each state is identified on the enclosed listing. Members of the Coalition who elect to participate in gathering information should contact the nearest field coordinator and arrange a convenient schedule for furnishing documentation of protection and boundary maps for privately administered protected areas. If funding is required to purchase copies of these materials from local governments or private organizations, please notify the field coordinator so we can arrange for Federal procurement from the appropriate entity.

So that we may complete our survey as quickly as possible, we would appreciate receiving information by March 28, 1983, but realize that this may not always be possible.

We sincerely appreciate the Coalition's support for the development of enlightened Federal policies for coastal barriers, and look forward to receiving your comments and recommendations on the proposed inventory of protected areas.

Sincerely,



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