

Dear Padre Island Superintendent,

I am writing this letter to express my concern about the proposed drilling plan for five new BNP Petroleum wells in Padre. These wells would deprive the shores of their natural beauty and integrity of the seashores. They would also put the already endangered Kemp's Ridley sea turtle in further danger.

I ask that you support the alternative of a federal buyout of mineral rights on Padre. This would eliminate the need to allow access to privately owned mineral leases. This plan would be consistent with the NPS environmentally preferred alternative, and the original intent of the park. In addition, the majority of the Texas coast is currently being used for oil and gas production and with only three percent of Texas being public land for recreation, Padre Island should remain as an area of the coast that is absent of industrial development. Please support Alternative A. I urge that you help ensure that no more wells be built that would put Kemp's Ridley habitat in danger and ruin the natural landscape. I look forward to hearing your response on this crucial issue. (address on back)

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I am writing you to express my concern about the proposed drilling plan for five new oil wells in the area. These wells would deprive the shores of their natural beauty and integrity of the seashore. They would also put the already endangered Kemp's Ridley turtle in further danger.

I ask that you support the alternative of a federal ban on mineral rights on the beach. This would eliminate the need to allow access to privately owned mineral leases. This plan would be consistent with the US environmental policy of the 1970s and the original intent of the act. In addition, the majority of the Texas coast is currently being used for oil and gas production and with only three percent of Texas being public land for recreation, I think it should remain as an area of the coast that is absent of industrial development. I suggest Alternative A. I hope that you will agree that no more wells be built that would put Kemp's Ridley turtle in danger and ruin the natural landscape.

I look forward to hearing your response on this crucial issue.

Yours on back