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Cape Lookout National Seashore is Modifying Operations to Implement Local Health Guidance: Advisory #4

Harkers Island, NC – Cape Lookout National Seashore is announcing additional modifications to operations to support federal, state, and local efforts to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

As of March 25, 2020, the following Cape Lookout National Seashore operations and services will be suspended, in order to comply with North Carolina and Carteret County COVID-19 guidance:

- **All restrooms (including the Great Island Bathhouse, the Lighthouse Pedestrian Beach restroom, and the Shell Point restrooms on Harkers Island) will close.**
- **North Core Banks, South Core Banks, and Shackleford Banks beaches will remain open for beach camping and day use for private vessels.**
- **The park will not provide any visitor services on the banks, until further notice.**
- **Vehicle ferry operators may run, subject to any health department restrictions.**
- **Visitors should contact their desired ferry operator prior to their visit to check on availability.**

The NPS encourages people who choose to visit Cape Lookout National Seashore during this pandemic to adhere to guidance from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) and state and local public health authorities to protect visitors and employees. As services are limited, the NPS urges visitors to continue to practice [Leave No Trace principles](#), including pack-in and pack-out, to keep outdoor spaces safe and healthy.

The health and safety of our visitors, employees, volunteers, and partners are our number one priority. We will notify the public when we resume full operations and provide updates on our website (www.nps.gov/caloc) and Facebook page (@CapeLookoutNPS).

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