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## **Carteret County COVID-19 County Restricts Water Access at Salter Path Press Release # 31**

**Carteret County, NC:** On April 2, 2020, Carteret County will restrict recreational water access for Salter Path in accordance with the announcement from the four Towns of Bogue Banks.

Recreational water activities such as swimming, surfing, kiting, and non-motorized recreational water access will be prohibited from April 2, 2020 through April 29, 2020. Residents are permitted to walk, jog and exercise along the beach strand as long as they are following the Center for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) recommendations of social distancing.

As the weather gets warmer, our area receives an increase in 911 calls and water rescues. With the limited medical supplies and personal protective equipment (PPE) for Police, Fire and EMS personnel, restricting water access will hopefully reduce the number of water rescues in our area, conserve PPE supplies and allow first responders to focus on service related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Residents should continue to follow Governor Cooper's Stay at Home Order and non-residents are discouraged to visit our area at this time in the best interest of public safety.

For further information regarding COVID-19 in our area, please contact the Citizen Inquiry Hotline at 252-728-7060 Monday –Friday 8am -5pm.



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