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To Whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to voice my concerns about the proposed closure of the Oceano Dunes off-road riding areas. I am compelled to ask that this area be left to remain open and accessible. I have been riding here for over 20 years now, I have taken my children there, it's one of the first places where I was able to teach them how to ride responsibly. The Oceano Dunes is so much more than just a place to ride, it's one of the only areas locally where families who enjoy the off-road lifestyle can gather to create lasting memories. It's one of those rare places that brings people from all walks of life together. The vibe in the Oceano Dunes is one of family and brotherhood, it's a spot where no one hesitates to stop and help a stranger in need – can you name another place like that? A place where strangers become friends in the matter of a few hours, where everyone is looking out for each other? A place where, for the duration of your trip, you are able to escape the worries of the outside world and just relax, just enjoy. The memories that are made in the dunes are the kind that never fade. They're the kind of memories that you must capture on video so that you can relive them over and over again. Please reconsider, do not take this place away from the world.

Thank you,

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