

## California Four Wheel Drive Association, Inc.

Over 55 years advocating for recreation

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The California 4 Wheel Drive Association (C4WDA) was founded in 1959 and we are a non-profit organization that has actively promoted the advancement of vehicle oriented outdoor recreation.

C4WDA is a volunteer-based organization of enthusiasts who promote responsible family recreation and exercise environmental conservation for the purpose of protecting access to public lands.

C4WDA represents over 8,000 members and 160-member clubs. We are the largest organization of this type in California and represent owners of all makes and models of 4WD vehicles, as well as non-owners who support responsible vehicle-oriented recreation.

C4WDA's mission is to work with the land managers for responsible OHV access and recreation opportunities. We support the concept of managed recreation and strategies for the building and maintenance of sustainable and quality OHV trails systems.

C4WDA has many members that are recreational visitors to the Oceano Dunes SVRA and they are very interested and concerned about actions that deal with the OHV recreational opportunity at Oceano Dunes SVRA.

As OHV recreation opportunities at the Oceano Dunes SVRA are reduced, the demand for OHV recreational opportunities by California citizen's increases. We are very concerned with systematic reduction in the size of the Oceano Dunes SVRA.

We feel that there should be no net loss in OHV opportunity.

The Oceano Dunes SVRA is a very unique recreation area. Nowhere in California can you camp and enjoy OHV recreational activities on the beach.

I personally have been recreating at the Oceano Dunes SVRA for over 30 years. My 3 kids that are now 30,28 and 17 have wonderful memories of their times at Oceano Dunes SVRA and I would hate for their kids not to have the same opportunity to enjoy the dunes the way we did.

OHV recreation is a substantial economic force in California, supporting jobs, local communities and tax revenues.

C4WDA appreciates this opportunity to be involved in the public planning process on behalf of its members who enjoy recreation in the Oceano Dunes SVRA.

Please contact me if you have questions or wish to discuss any aspect of these comments.

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