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Dear State Park Reps and Legislators:

It has come to my attention that there is potential for considering shutting down some or perhaps all of the off-road areas of the Pismo State Beach (Oceano Dunes SVRA) to off road vehicle recreation. That would be a horrible decision!

Our family has enjoyed this great outdoor activity (off-roading at Pismo SB) since 1994 and is an annual fall family trip. My grown children make an extra special effort to make this camping trip each year. They have been visiting and enjoying all that Oceano has to offer since they were babies. (Off-roading, sliding down the dunes on sleds, kite flying, salt water taffy shop, The Great American Melodrama, wine tasting, annual fall craft fair in Dinosaur Park, local restaurants, etc). For over 24 years I have introduced my family, countless friends and their families, and their friends and families to this unique and wonderful area. Everyone of them absolutely loves it! It is the premier draw for our recreational spending and it is our favorite trip of the year!

I question the validity of the any studies with respect to any silica coming from the SVRA. How do we know it's accurate? What impact does the marine biological material coming from the ocean have on all the air monitoring data that's been collected? I've seen countless mounds of seaweed, many many seal carcasses (they stink something awful), tons of birds, and probably lots of unseen other biological material contributing to air quality. I've seen the wind blow so hard that you can't stand to be of your vehicle on the dunes with so much sand swirling in the air - it actually hurts your skin, and I wonder if the frequent windy days are more of a contributor...

Does anyone have a clue what percentage of dust is actually coming from the SVRA? More specifically, contributed by off-roading activities?

As an avid off-roader, I think it would be a travesty to use unsubstantiated science to close down this outstanding asset. Please keep it open!!!

As Huell Howser has said...."It's a part of California's Gold!"

v/r,

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