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To whom it may concern,

Something needs to be done at Oceano dunes, all this controversy is just too much for a sleepy beach town. This past year with people complaining about the silica sand is just over the top. A little history (off the top of my head as I do work for a living)

In the 90s a large part of the dues was closed off do the Snowy Plover found on the beach. Once this happened this upset 95% of the town. At that same time bumper stickers with "Eat Snowy Plover" were flying off the shelfs, you could not drive a single block in town without seeing one of those stickers. In the later 90s a video was released with a member of the Sierra Club, whom Sierra club claims was NOT acting for them) plant the plover on the beach. The beach was not reopened as NOW it was home to the plover.

In the late 2000s they made a rule, where you could not fly a kite on the beach as it scared the native birds. This was a rule the ranger told my son as we he enjoying the beach, flying his kite, the horror.

Then this sand debacle started, they put hay and straw out in the dunes, put up ugly construction fencing material, none of this actually does anything.

I am sure I am missing a lot of other items, but these were ones that personally I witnessed.
I am not sure what the agenda is for the dunes and who is driving it, but I'm hoping to find someone in the State Park system, or local Government to champion these issues and save the dunes!

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