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I am writing to ask you to end the use of the dunes for ATV and other vehicles. I realize the hearing will be about increasing the level of the abatement, but that is insufficient to protect this community. I live in the Monarch Dunes. Trilogy development and nearly all of my neighbors have developed respiratory illness. My neighbor has pneumonia and what looks to be silica in her lungs. Since she does not intentionally snuff sand it is clear that the silica is coming from the dunes. Several people have had to sell their homes because their respiratory problems have become so severe they could no longer live here. My husband and I have never suffered allergies, even in Austin, Texas the allergy capitol of the U.S. Since coming here have developed allergies that correspond to windy days when our furniture inside the house gets covered in sand. Why should our community have to suffer because people from other communities, who obviously don't care about our community health, believe they should be able to continue their "recreation" despite the harm to public health. There is no "right" to use our beaches to ruin the health of our community. They have a privilege to do so but only because you have allowed them to do so. I understand that it may cause economic hardship on the businesses who have come to depend on this health hazard, but so did tobacco farmers when the government restricted their advertisements, and when community after community prohibited smoking within establishments and, in some cases, other public areas. They can seek other means of making money that do not cause harm to others. The health of our community should be given priority over the economics. It is clear that the lack of progress in the abatement process merely underscores the need to get rid of this nuisance immediately. Best regards, Priscilla Slocum