

RAY T. ADAMS, INC.

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July 10, 1950.

Mr. Thomas J. Allen,
Regional Director,
National Parks Service,
900 N. Lombardy St.,
Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I have a lease with your department on the land known as the Currituck Beach Lighthouse Reservation. My lease does not expire until December 31, 1950.

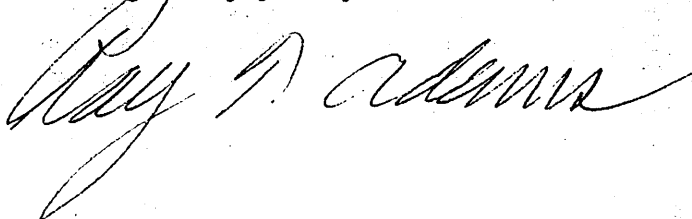
The Legislature of the State of North Carolina has passed an act creating a Municipal State Corporation to build and operate a toll road from Mags Head, North Carolina, to the Virginia State Line. The Virginia Legislature has created a State Authority, also, to build and operate a toll road from Virginia Beach to the North Carolina State Line.

In order that the highway may be constructed at a very early date, it is necessary that I relinquish my lease to the National Parks Service. This I am willing to do and, at this date, I am willing to have my lease cancelled, so that construction may be started on this highway.

It is necessary that the highway get a right-of-way through this property and I am informed that the National Parks Service will declare this land surplus and the General Services Administration have agreed to cooperate with us in granting us a right-of-way through the Currituck Beach Lighthouse property, just as soon as it is no longer of use to the National Parks Service.

Therefore, I am requesting that you cancel my lease on the Currituck Beach Lighthouse property, immediately.

Very truly yours,



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<i>file</i> Date <i>July 11, 1952</i> Signature <i>Emerson</i> 71523		



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In reply refer to: *Emerson*
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Memorandum

To: Assistant Director Wirth
(through Mr. Thompson and
Mr. Richey)

From: Park Planner Emerson

Subject: Status of Currituck Beach Lighthouse Property

Mr. Ray T. Adams called on July 10 to inquire about the status of the Currituck Beach Lighthouse property which is still being held in the custody of this Department for the use of the Service. Mr. Adams' call was prompted by the fact that the Carolina-Virginia Coastal Corporation is prepared to let the contracts for the construction of the toll road and a right of way across the Currituck Beach property must be obtained.

I told Mr. Adams that it would be necessary to terminate his permit before we could report the property as excess to our needs, and suggested that he write to Region One and relinquish his interests and rights in the property under the conditions of permit. This action is necessary due to the annual fee of \$12.00 that was paid and the complications of making refund of any remaining balance. Mr. Adams was agreeable to the suggestion and promised to advise Regional Director Allen immediately of his desire to terminate the agreement. A copy of his letter is attached.

The Regional Office of the General Services Administration in Atlanta has received a letter from Director Ross, Department of Conservation and Development, State of North Carolina, expressing interest in the acquisition of the property, but for purposes other than recreation. The GSA has made an appraisal of fair value and is prepared to place the property on the surplus inventory for immediate disposal when it is released by this Department.

It is proposed to return the property to the custody of the GSA, as successors to the Treasury Department which was the original holding agency, as soon as Region One acknowledges Mr. Adams' request and cancels the permit.

Emerson
Ralph W. Emerson
Park Planner

Attachment

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Memorandum

To: The Director

From: Regional Director

Subject: Kill Devil Hill Monument National Memorial - Cancellation
of Special Use Permit No. I-8np-244 issued to Mr. Ray T.
Adams for the use of the Currituck Beach Lighthouse property

Attached are two copies of our letter of today's date to
Mr. Ray T. Adams cancelling Special Use Permit No. I-8np-244 for the
use of the Currituck Beach Lighthouse Reservation and two copies of
his letter of July 10 requesting cancellation.

This cancellation action will enable the National Park
Service to return this property to the custody of the General Ser-
vices Administration for declaration as surplus property.


Regional Director

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Copy to: Supt., Kill Devil Hill MNM



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My dear Mr. Larson:

The Currituck Beach Lighthouse property, located on the east side of Currituck Sound in the County of Currituck, North Carolina, and consisting of approximately 30.17 acres of land with certain structural improvements, was assigned to the Department of the Interior for the use of the National Park Service in connection with the Cape Hatteras National Seashore project under entrustment of custody by the Public Buildings Branch, Procurement Division, Treasury Department on March 22, 1938. Primary jurisdiction of the property is now held by the General Services Administration, as successor in function to the Public Buildings Administration.

The Cape Hatteras Seashore project, as now proposed, will not extend north far enough to embrace the Currituck Beach Lighthouse area, and consequently, the National Park Service has no further need for the property. All outstanding commitments, such as the special use permit that was issued to Mr. Ray T. Adams of Washington, D. C., to assure adequate protection of the property, have been cancelled, and the property is now excess to the needs of the Department of the Interior.

In the circumstances, this Department hereby relinquishes custody of the property in order that appropriate action may be taken with respect to its reassignment or disposal by your Administration.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) VERNON D. NORTHROP

Assistant Secretary of the Interior

Hon. Jess Larson
Administrator
General Services Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

Copy to: Regional Director, Region One (2)
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