

## **CHAPTER 5: CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION**

### **5.1 Public Involvement**

The public scoping period began on May 15, 2006 and ended on June 30, 2006. At the beginning of the scoping period the NPS published a scoping newsletter on Dry Bay Off-Road Vehicle Use. The newsletter described the current situation at Dry Bay regarding ORV use, described why change is needed and identified possible solutions to the problem.

The newsletter solicited input from the public on the following questions:

- What routes should be designated or eliminated for ORV use?
- How to best repair and protect problem areas on routes?
- Identify strategies on how to manage ORV use and protect resources?

The newsletter was posted on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) webpage (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/index.cfm>) and was mailed to 100 individuals, organizations, and government agencies on May 15, 2006. Public scoping meetings were held in Dry Bay on June 1 and in Yakutat on June 2, 2006. Fifteen individuals attended the meetings. The NPS received 9 scoping comments from individuals (4), organizations (4), and state government (1).

A November 2006 newsletter summarized public comment on the plan as well as suggestions and issues identified at public meetings held in May 2006. The newsletter was mailed to 60 individuals, organizations, and government agencies and was posted on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) webpage (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/index.cfm>).

Other scoping activities included:

- Consulted with National Marine Fisheries Service regarding Endangered Species Act (Brix, pers. com.).
- Consulted with the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Office of Habitat Management and Permitting (OHMP) regarding the designation of ORV trails in the Dry Bay area. OHMP provided recommendations concerning stream crossing closures and streambeds and banks hardening.
- Conducted meetings with City and Borough of Yakutat and U.S. Forest Service.

## 5.2 List of Preparers and Consultants

Tables 5-1 and 5-2 list personnel that participated and consulted on the development of this environmental assessment.

Table 5-1 List of EA Preparers (Interdisciplinary Team)

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>
Glen Yankus	NPS, Alaska Region, Environmental Resources	Environmental Protection Spec.
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Chad Soiseth	Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve	Fisheries Biologist
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Table 5-2 List of EA Consultants

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Position</b>
Joan Darnell	NPS, Alaska Region, Environmental Resources	Team Manager
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Mark Foster	Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve	Facility Manager
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Kevin Meyer	NPS, Alaska Region, Natural Resources	Environmental Specialist/Regional Trails Specialist
Jess Grunblatt	NPS, Alaska Region, GIS	Inventory Coordinator
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Kate Kanouse	State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Office of Habitat Management & Permitting,	Habitat Biologist