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**MAR 08 2018**  
Nancy Kring-Rowan  
Jekyll Island Authority  
100 James Road  
Jekyll Island, GA 31527

**Re: Letter of Permission (LOP), Jekyll Island Turtle Crawl Triathlon, Jekyll Island, Glynn County GPS: (31.05011°N/81.40860°W)**

Dear Ms. Kring-Rowan:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request, dated January 18, 2018, to host the Turtle Crawl Triathlon on the beach adjacent to the Great Dunes Pavilion on Jekyll Island. This is a one day event, scheduled to take place on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The proposed equipment within SPA jurisdiction includes two inflatable 16ft. columns for the swim exit, generator, plastic pool, rubber timing mat, feather banners, buoys, and temporary fencing to prevent participants and spectators from entering the dunes. One (1) ATV with an associated 5ft. x 6ft. trailer is permitted for use on the beach, with all driving occurring on the wet sand beach only. Set-up for the beach portion of the triathlon will begin at approximately 4:30 AM the day of the event and tear-down will begin as soon as the last swimmer finishes at approximately 8:30 AM.

The Department authorizes the proposed event as depicted in the attached description and drawing, provided all Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be used to protect jurisdictional shore areas. **No unauthorized equipment, materials, or debris may be placed, stored, or disposed of in jurisdictional areas.** This LOP is valid for the above referenced project and is not meant to exempt the above referenced activity from future environmental laws. Any change in the use, location, dimensions, or configuration of the approved project, without prior notification and approval from this office could result in the revocation of this permission and in the required removal of the related structures. All impacts associated with this project must be rectified by fully restoring areas to their pre-construction topographic and vegetative states. This project must comply with all other Federal, State, and local statutes, ordinances and regulations.

**Because the project occurs between May 1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup>, turtle nesting season, an individual with a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit must survey the area prior to the work beginning.**

If you have any further questions or concerns in regards to this or any other projects, please feel free to contact Jordan Dodson at (912) 262-3109.

Sincerely,

Jill Andrews  
Chief, Coastal Management Section

Enclosures: Description and Photos  
File: LOP20180020

## Dodson, Jordan

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**From:** Nancy Kring-Rowan <nkringrowan@jekyllisland.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 18, 2018 2:14 PM  
**To:** Dodson, Jordan  
**Cc:** Ray Emerson  
**Subject:** 2018 Turtle Crawl Triathlons Request for LOP  
**Attachments:** 2018 Turtle Crawl LOP map.pdf

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Good Afternoon Jordan,

The 2018 Turtle Crawl Triathlons will take place on Saturday, May 12, 2018 starting with the swim portion off the Jekyll Island beach. I'm requesting a Letter of Permit from the DNR for this swim portion of this race.

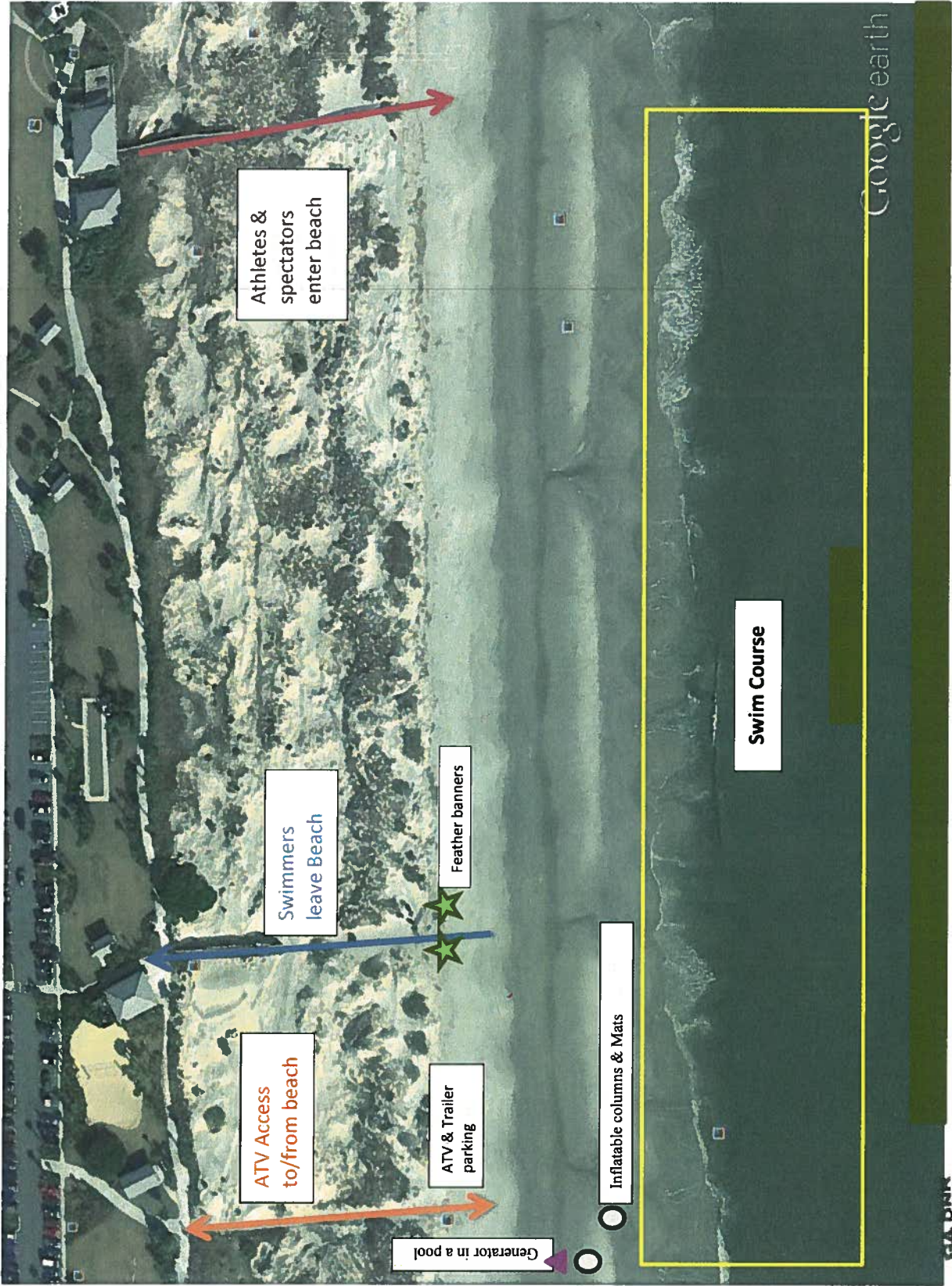
- Timeline: Setup time on beach is @4:30am and tear-down after last swimmer gets past the mats @8:30am.
- We understand that because the triathlon occurs during turtle nesting season, Jekyll Island Park Ranger Ray Emerson with a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit will survey the area prior to the 4:30am set-up on May 12.
- We understand driving is only allowed on the wet sand of the beach.
- Markings used for the swim course in the water will be buoys.
- We will have the following equipment on the beach:
  - 2 inflatable 16' columns for the swim exit
  - A 2' x 3' generator in a plastic pool which is @4ft in diameter
  - 8'x 2" rubber timing mats
  - 5'x6' trailer to cart all the equipment to and from the beach
  - 2, 8' feather banners
  - 4-wheeled ATV using the beach emergency access point only
- JIA will fence off the dunes from the end of the cross over to the beach to keep spectators off the dunes.
- **Please see attached map** of the access & path the ATV will be using. It will access the beach from the JIA beach access path that the Georgia Sea Turtle Center, JIA and the GSP use to get on the beach. The ATV will be pulling a trailer holding equipment for the race and taking them all off the beach as well.

Please let me know if you any more information.

Sincerely,  
Nancy

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