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Cassidi Kendrick
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Re: Letter of Permission (LOP), Temporary Activities within Shore Protection Act (SPA) Jurisdiction, Labor Day Light Show, South Beach, Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia.

Dear Ms. Kendrick:

This LOP is in response to your request to host the Labor Day Light Show on the South Beach area of Tybee Island. The Light Show is a one-day event that will occur Sunday, September 1, 2024.

The request includes the temporary designation of a safety zone in association with the Labor Day Light Show. The event safety zone will be created the morning of the event and removed the same day. Labor Day Light Show staff will work from a trailer staged in the City of Tybee Island (COTI) public parking lot. All equipment associated with the event will be transported to the beach using hand carts. The event safety zone includes a launch area on the South Beach, along with crowd control measures. Working in conjunction with the COTI, the safety zone will be created using COTI traffic cones to secure the area immediately seaward of the most seaward toe of dune in the vicinity of the COTI's public dune crosswalk located at 18th Street. To create the special event launch area, tarps will cover the dry sand beach in an area that measures approximately 3,500sq.ft. Tarps will be held in place by stakes or weighted bags filled with beach grade quality sand obtained from an upland source. During the day, the public will be able to traverse the beach seaward of the safety zone. During the event, spectators will be able to observe the display from a controlled distance. To prevent and minimize marine debris generated by the special event, trash discarded by spectators must be removed from the public beach at the end of the event and disposed of at an approved upland facility.

Because the project will occur between May 1st and October 31st, sea turtle nesting season, an individual with a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit is required to survey the area prior to the work beginning. All turtle nests must be avoided and no activity may occur within 20ft. of a nest

area.

The Department authorizes the temporary activities associated with the events as depicted in the attached project description and location map. This LOP is not meant to exempt the above referenced activities from future environmental laws. **This project must comply with all other Federal, State, and local statutes, ordinances, and regulations.** No unauthorized equipment, materials, or debris may be placed, disposed of, or stored in jurisdictional areas. Any incidental impacts associated with this project to the dunes or dune vegetation must be rectified by fully restoring areas to their pre-construction topographic and vegetative states. This LOP is valid for the above referenced projects.

Thank you for working with the Department on this project. Please do not hesitate to contact Deb Barreiro at 912.266.3695, if you have any questions about this or any other project.

Sincerely,



Jill Andrews
Chief, Coastal Management Section

Enclosure: Labor Day Site Plan

cc: Robyn Rosner
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2024 Beach Permit needed for below event.

1. Sunday, September 1, 2024-
 - a. Location: Drone Show on the beach between 17th and 18th street crossovers.
 - b. Time: Drone and rope setup approximately at 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. and teardown after the show is complete, roughly 10:00 p.m. White rectangle area is the drone launch site. The blue area is the flight path. The red area is the safety area that pedestrians must stay out of during show time.
 - c. Equipment: 10x10 pop-up tent, 2 rectangle tables, (150) drones, tarp
 - d. Drone company staff are prepared to load equipment on and off event site using hand tools/carts.

Drone Launch Site Set Up Example



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