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DOUG HAYMANS DIRECTOR

Jody Schiesser Chase Productions Georgia, LLC 5105 Paulsen Street Savannah, GA 31405

Re: Letter of Permission, Movie Production & Related Activities for <u>The Chase</u>, Temporary Activities in the State's Shore Protection Act Jurisdiction, Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Schiesser:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your revised request dated April 29, 2021 to film scenes for the above referenced production on Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia. The proposed project includes the temporary use of vehicles and production equipment in Shore Protection Act (SPA) Jurisdiction. The project will begin no sooner than 15 days after the date of this letter and be completed no later than sixty (60) days from the issuance of this letter. Production dates are subject to change due to weather or unforeseen production changes.

As proposed, the production company has identified the following location within SPA Jurisdiction with the following activities being proposed:

#### 1805 Chatham Avenue Residence

The 1805 Chatham Avenue location includes the private residence, landscaped outdoor areas, and the adjacent properties north and south of the residence. Company activity will normally occur between 5:00 am and 1:00 am.

Temporary production activities at the 1805 Chatham Avenue location include the placement of props, and the use of production equipment in SPA jurisdiction. Cameras, monitors, lights, lighting stands, sound and related production equipment will be positioned on the property, and on adjacent properties to the north and south of 1805 Chatham Avenue, as needed. All activities on the parcels will occur landward of the landward toe of the dune. The use of the existing beach path seaward of 1805 Chatham Avenue is limited to pedestrian use only.

#### Beach Seaward of 1805 Chatham Avenue

The location known as the Beach Seaward of 1805 Chatham Avenue includes the dry sand beach seaward of the most seaward sand dunes north and south of the residence. No filming in the dune field is authorized. Company activity will normally occur between 6:00 am and 8:00 pm. Temporary production activities associated with this location includes the placement of props, production equipment and the use of production vehicles. Wooden stakes will be installed to assist crew with rising tide levels and to keep crew out of the dunes. Cameras, monitors, lighting equipment, sound and related production equipment will be positioned on the dry sand beach, seaward of the sand

dunes at 1805 Chatham Avenue as needed. A video village will be installed using as many as five (5) 10ft. x 10ft. portable tents. The video village will afford crew a centralized production area. Chairs, tables, video monitors will be temporarily set up to facilitate production. All production amenities will be transported to the beach the day of production. No unattended production equipment will be left on the beach after filming. All props, electrical and production equipment will be removed from the beach at wrap the day of filming.

Vehicular access for all production equipment to the beach location seaward of 1805 Chatham Avenue will occur at Inlet Avenue across temporary, pre-fabricated, mats placed along a designated travel corridor landward of ordinary high water and seaward of the dunes. Mats will help minimize impacts to the ecosystem at the location while allowing for vehicular ingress & egress across the dry sand beach. The travel corridor will be delineated by Department staff and will be built seaward from the Inlet Avenue DNR-approved vehicular beach access point. The designated travel corridor will be identified for all Teamsters on the production and it will enhance public safety at the location. Production vehicles will not drive in or enter the sand dune area.

All crew, talent, materials, equipment, and authorized vehicles associated with The Chase accessing this location will access the set using Inlet Avenue vehicular access. Staging for equipment for the beach location will occur within the paved area known as Inlet Avenue beach parking lot. To service the beach location seaward of 1805 Chatham Avenue, a trailer-based power plant generator or other portable generator(s) will be positioned in the Inlet Avenue parking area. The company will run no more than six (6) bundled power cables from the power source along the authorized travel corridor within the dune access. The power cable bundles will be identified & secured appropriately. No gas or diesel generators are authorized for use or storage on the beach in SPA jurisdiction at any time. During production, the vehicular access will be closed to the public. Portable restroom(s) will be temporarily positioned on paved area associated with the Inlet Avenue parking area.

The production crew will operate two (2) pick-up trucks and no more than five (5) gators (and/or gaspowered golf carts) with small trailers for the purpose of hauling production equipment to this location. The production company intends to use a camera dolly and dolly tracks on set for filming. A pick-up truck will deliver the camera dolly, tracks, and related equipment to the set, unloaded the equipment, and return to paved parking area on Inlet Avenue until the equipment is removed. The gators will transport camera equipment, electric cables, lights, grip equipment and props associated with set dressing. If the gators are gas or diesel powered and need to be refueled during production, crew will drive vehicle off the beach using Inlet Avenue access and refuel on the asphalt road, in a parking spot. An absorption mat will be placed on the ground in the parking spot to avoid any fuel spillage onto the ground. All fuel storage containers must remain in the Inlet Avenue parking lot. Production vehicles are solely for the transportation of production equipment.

At the end of production, all matting and equipment will be removed, and the beach will be hand raked in a manner to be consistent with the topography of the immediate surrounding area. The production crew will also be responsible for re-installing benches, trash cans, and signage removed while on location. Public access to the production area will be managed by crew and security. Public access on the day of filing on the Beach seaward of 1805 Chatham Avenue may be temporarily restricted north of Chatham Avenue Dune Crosswalk and south of Inlet Avenue, but otherwise, all efforts will be made to allow reasonable public access to the beach at this location.

The Department authorizes the temporary activities in SPA jurisdiction in conjunction with the film production, The Chase, as depicted in the attached description and has no objection to the activities,

provided best management practices are used to prevent any additional impacts at the site and to protect jurisdictional shore areas. Any deviations from the current project description, equipment list or location footprint may require further review.

The Department will inspect all areas as described above during and at the termination of the temporary activities to ensure that those areas are in a condition consistent with the authorization granted by this LOP. All persons associated with The Chase must remain off the dunes and dune vegetation during setup, filming and breakdown at the approved locations. No thriving vegetation is to be disturbed during approved activities. Any incidental impacts to the dunes or vegetation must be restored to pre-activity vegetated and topographic conditions as determined by the Department.

Since a portion of the activities will occur during the period of May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>, all areas must be surveyed daily by a person in possession of a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit prior to commencement of any activities. If a nesting site is located, nests must be marked and avoided. No activity may occur within 20 feet of a nest. Production lights used after dark during nesting season are required to have red light filters that emit wavelengths greater than 560 nanometers. This includes handheld lights, vehicle lights and production lights.

Any change in the type of activities, date, or locations without prior notification and approval from this office could result in the revocation of this Letter of Permission and the requirement to immediately cease all activities followed by removal of the materials and related structures. This project must comply with all other federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances and regulations.

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

Sincerely,

Jill Andrews

Chief, Coastal Management Section

Enclosures: Project Description & Set Map

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#### DNR requests for filming on the beach on Tybee Island

#### **CHASE PRODUCTIONS GEORGIA LLC (feature film)**

5105 Paulsen Street Savannah, GA 31405

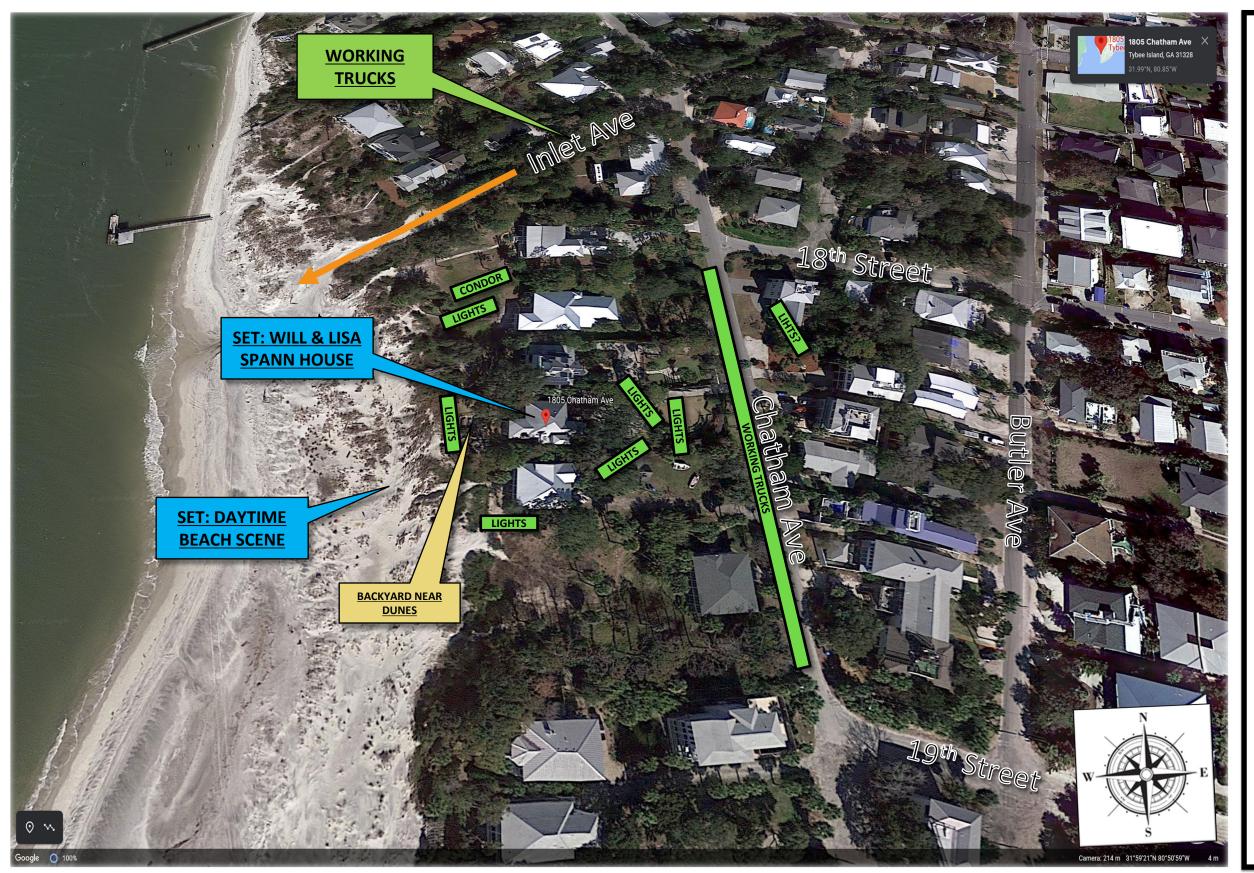
# Beach Areas 2 / 3 Requested for May 19, 2021 – June 4, 2021 Near 1805 Chatham Ave

#### SITE MAP IS ATTACHED

- Production requests permission for beach access between Tybee Island Beach Areas 2 & 3 for preparation, filming, and strike/restoration during the time period beginning on May 19, 2021 and ending June 4, 2021. Filming will take place between the time of 5am to 1am with consideration for previously scheduled events. We anticipate filming will only take place on two of those days during that timeframe, with prep and any wrap to occur on the day before or after filming. Target date is most likely May 21, 2021 to begin filming.
- Any work before sunrise or after sunset would be conducted with lighting in accordance with sea turtle concerns.
- Production requests permission to establish a film set zone on the southern point of Tybee Island Beach in the areas marked Beach Area 2 and 3, between the beach access crossover at 19<sup>th</sup> Street and the beach access path at Inlet Avenue. This would be for a daytime beach scene only. Equipment will not be placed on the protected sand dunes.
- Production requests permission to restrict public access on the beach in this zone as needed during filming.
- Production requests permission to use the public beach access crossover at Inlet Ave for vehicle access to support filming activities. Temporary, prefabricated dune mats will be placed to cross from Inlet Ave to the hard-packed sand of beach.
- Production requests permission for the following public parking areas:
  - Fourteen (14) parking spaces in the parking lot area at the south end of Butler Avenue for equipment trucks, and other vehicles.
  - Twelve (12) parking spaces on the west side of Chatham Ave near for equipment trucks and transportation vans.
  - Ten (10) parking spaces on Inlet Avenue from Chatham Avenue to the beach for picture vehicles and support for filming, movie tow plant generator(s), and portable restroom facilities.

- Requesting permission for use of GATORS(5) WITH TRAILERS, AND PICK-UP TRUCKS (2) ON THE BEACH TO TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT. Temporary, prefabricated dune Mats will be used to create a travel path to help minimize impact to the sand.
- Production requests permission to temporarily take down during filming, or cover or disguise, the signage that exists on the South Beach of Tybee Island where we intend to film by the dunes.
- Requesting permission to place filming equipment on the beach; including cameras, video monitors, sound equipment, lights and shading flags and their support stands, sand bags, tents (no bigger than 10'X10'), crew chairs, 2 12'X12' framed shading flags, craft service coolers and snacks. No generators will be placed on the beach.
- Requesting permission for 60 foot condor or scissor lift for the purpose of lighting house at 1805 Chatham Ave for night scene(s). Any lights used at night will be placed and angled to illuminate the house and not the beach or water. We will also observe minimum distance from protected sand dunes. Lights for night scene will not be on the beach or dunes, and will be in front and/or backyard facing SPANN HOUSE, or possibly placed in neighbor yards. Condor or lift possibly in neighbor yard or in front yard.
- Requests permission for electric cable runs on beach access crossover and around the dunes to support filming on the beach. All cables will be properly secured and tucked for public and environmental safety. Generators will be placed on the street side of the access points.
- Request permission for dolly and track.
- Request four 20x20 silk shade frames to control the sunlight.

## CHASE - WILL & LISA SPANN HOUSE



## **SITE MAP**



#### **SET: WILL & LISA SPANN HOUSE**

Greg Parker's Beach House 1805 Chatham Ave Tybee Island, GA 31328

#### **SET: DAYTIME BEACH SCENE**

On Beach near 1805 Chatham Ave Tybee Island, GA 31328

## **BASECAMP:**

TBD – HOTEL TYBEE

#### **CREW/EXTRAS PARKING:**

**TBD** 

## **WORKING TRUCKS:**

INLET AVE
CHATHAM AVE

#### **LIGHTS/CONDOR:**

Lights for night scene in front and back yards facing SPANN HOUSE, or possibly in neighbor yards. Condor or lift possibly in neighbor yard or in front yard. Lights would be positioned so as not to face toward the beach or the water.