

OUTER BANKS TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE

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Dear Ken:

The Trolley Bus Committee of the Outer Banks Transportation Task Force (OBTTTF) met on May 11, 2006 and discussed your Technical Memoranda #1 and #2. Then the Transportation Demand Committee of the OBTTTF met on May 18, 2006 to look in more detail at locations for possible trolley stops. We have reached consensus on some of the information needed for the remaining tasks in your contract, and those details are contained in the attachment to this letter. Both committees plan to meet again in early June to reach some conclusions about headway and days/hours of operation and to continue our conversation about destinations/stops for the trolley service. Please note that the trolley stops list is very preliminary and has been compiled to provide better definition for all of us about where we are looking for trolley service to run. We welcome your feedback on the viability of the list and an answer to the question: "How many stops are too many?" We also hope it will enable you to define any possibilities for zig-zag routes that move back and forth between US 158 and NC 12.

Some notions of a variant "express" service have been mentioned but not defined. One variant would provide connectivity to future "water Taxi" service between Duck and Manteo with stops in Kitty Hawk and Colington. Another could provide with connections to future private charter tours to specific areas of the county – such as Hatteras Island, Roanoke Island, and Ocracoke Island. We will also attempt to flush out the "express" concept in the June meeting.

Please contact OBTTTF Chairman – Jody Crosswhite or Ralph Buxton or me if you have any questions about the attached information or if there are questions we haven't answered.

Sincerely,

Cheryl L. Byrd, Vice Chair, OBTTTF