AIR STATION ORDER 5090.7A

From: Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort
To: Distribution List

Subj: USE OF OFF-ROAD RECREATION VEHICLES ABOARD MARINE CORPS LANDS

Ref: (a) MCO P5090.2A W/ CH 1-3

1. Situation. The use of off-road recreation vehicles (ORRVs) is increasing in popularity. Reference (a) defines ORRVs as any motorized vehicle designed for, or capable of, cross-country travel on, or immediately over, land, water, sand, ice, marshes, swampland, or other natural terrain. This term excludes any registered motorboat; any military, fire, ambulance, or law enforcement vehicle when used for emergency purposes; any combat or combat support vehicle when used for national defense purposes; and any vehicle use that is authorized by the Headquarters Marine Corps Installation and Logistics Department, Facilities and Services Division or a representative thereof for official use under a permit, lease, license, or contract. Public lands, including military lands, are being subjected to pressure from individual and organized ORRV interests for access to these lands. However, this form of recreation frequently conflicts with military land use requirements, wise land, and resource management practices, environmental values, and other recreational activities.

2. Cancellation. ASO 5090.7

3. Mission. To establish policy for use of ORRVs in accordance with the reference.

4. Execution

   a. Commander’s Intent and Concept of Operations

      (1) Commander’s Intent. To restrict all ORRV use on any land and water areas under Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Beaufort control and to limit official use of government vehicles for off-road travel to what is absolutely required for security, safety, or operational necessity.

      (2) Concept of Operations. As a trustee of public lands, MCAS Beaufort has a responsibility to protect and enhance environmental quality, conserve natural resources, and provide opportunities for outdoor recreation. Accordingly, the following policy regarding the use of ORRVs is hereby established:

         (a) All land and water areas under MCAS Beaufort control shall be closed to off-road travel by ORRVs.

         (b) The limitations imposed by this Order do not apply to the official use of Government vehicles for off-road travel.

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5. **Administration and Logistics**

(a) The Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Office (NREAO) shall bear primary responsibility for implementation and enforcement.

(b) The NREAO Conservation Officer shall act as the primary enforcement provider with assistance from the Provost Marshal’s Office as required.

6. **Command and Signal**

   a. **Command.** This Order is applicable to all personnel aboard MCAS Beaufort, but does not apply to government contractors or outside agencies acting in the course of their employment requirements.

   b. **Signal.** This Order is effective the date signed.

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