

DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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STAFF DIRECTIVE 85-10

TO: Directorate

FROM: William W. Davis, Director

SUBJECT: Moratorium on Park Research

Until such time as the Division can develop and implement a guideline which clearly delineates the significance, importance and impact of scientific research in and on the environment for which we are stewards, I am ordering the implementation of a moratorium on all such projects. This moratorium takes effect immediately and shall continue indefinitely until revoked by me.

Therefore, no permits shall be issued for collecting, sampling, or otherwise conducting physical or social science research in any unit of the North Carolina State Park and Recreation System, to include all state rivers, state trails, state natural areas, and state lakes. Permits issued prior to this date shall be honored, provided that such permits, where automatically renewed, shall expire where indicated.

Emergency situations shall be called to the attention of the Chief Naturalist who, in consultation with the Director, may issue a temporary permit.

WWD/mdm