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Jerry Jennings, Division Engineer  
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Dear Mr. Jennings:

As you are aware, Dare County and the Outer Banks Visitors Bureau operate the Soundside Event site located at 6800 S Croatan Highway, which frequently host events with 1,000+ persons. The site has onsite parking for roughly 750 people and relies on shuttles and off-site parking for larger events. Although attendees are not encouraged to cross US 158 at this location, it happens frequently. At many events, to facilitate safe movement of pedestrians, Nags Head Police operate a manual crosswalk with staff serving as crossing guards. During evening hours, the crosswalk is illuminated using temporary lighting however there is limited visibility. It is difficult for drivers to see the crossing guards in time to stop safely, particularly given the 50-mph speed limit of this roadway. Operating the manual crosswalk is a significant effort and expense to the Town.

With this letter the Town of Nags Head is requesting that NCDOT install a pedestrian signal at this location that would provide regulatory control of vehicles to allow for safe crossing of pedestrians. The Town is requesting a Hybrid Pedestrian Beacon or other similar measure that would meet NCDOT and MUTCD guidance.

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Ben Cahoon  
Mayor

CC: Allen Moran, NCDOT