



## County of Dare

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Mr. Allen Moran  
NC Dept. of Transportation  
Board of Transportation, Division 1  
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Raleigh, NC 27699-1578

Dear Allen:

The Nags Head Division of Motor Vehicles office has been closed since mid-March due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Elizabeth City DMV is currently open by appointment only and limits the number of customers allowed inside in order to follow social distancing guidelines. Although the N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles offers many services for online completion, there is certainly still a need for our County to have easier access to an office. The round trip from Nags Head to Elizabeth City is approximately two and half hours. Additionally, many residents do not have easy access to a computer for web-based services; and using a cell phone to complete online registration renewals, etc. can be frustrating and time-consuming.

I would ask for your assistance to take any necessary steps to have the local Nags Head DMV office open for at least limited times each week to ease the inconvenience and hardship of traveling to Elizabeth City as soon as practicable. Surely the office here could implement the guidelines recommended by the CDC in order to safely reopen and accept a few customers each day. Dare County has encouraged and will continue to support the utilization of on-line or “drop-off” services for many of the daily and typical service needs of our community; however, with proper social distancing and/or use of protective equipment, we meet with local citizens when necessary.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me, or my fellow Commissioners, if I can be of any assistance to help our citizens receive services at our local Nags Head Division of Motor Vehicles. Thank you for your consideration and efforts in this matter.

With regards,

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