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Dave Hallac Named Superintendent of Cape Hatteras National Seashore and the Outer Banks Group

ATLANTA – Southeast Regional Director Stan Austin announced that Dave Hallac has been selected as superintendent of Cape Hatteras National Seashore and the Outer Banks Group in North Carolina. Hallac has managed the Yellowstone Center for Resources, the resource management and science division at Yellowstone National Park for the last three years. He will start his new assignment at Cape Hatteras in early January 2015.



“We are very pleased to have Dave returning to the Southeast Region,” Austin said. “He has a proven track record of working with other land management agencies and he has extensive experience working collaboratively with local community groups and friends associations. He also understands the value of both preserving the resources and enjoying the recreational opportunities they offer. His skill set is a great fit for Cape Hatteras and the Outer Banks Group Parks. We are very excited to have him on our Southeast Region management team!”

In his current position, Hallac oversees a number of park programs including wildlife and aquatic sciences, vegetation ecology, wetlands, and forestry, climate change, hydrology, geology, historical preservation and Native American tribal relations. He also oversees the park's planning, compliance, and science communications program. He leads a variety of high profile, complex conservation initiatives such as carnivore conservation, native fish restoration, trans-boundary bison conservation and management, and climate change research.

Prior to going to Yellowstone, Hallac spent more than a decade in south Florida in a variety of positions including managing natural resources programs for Everglades and Dry Tortugas National Parks, and implementation of Everglades restoration projects with the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Hallac has a master's degree in wildlife and fisheries biology from the University of Vermont. He is an avid fisherman who also enjoys running, scuba diving, and boating. He and his wife, Robin, and their four children will move to the Cape Hatteras area with him in January.

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“It is an honor to have the opportunity to manage these park units that mean so much to millions of local residents and visitors,” Hallac said. “I spent many summer vacations in the Outer Banks with my family so I have a great appreciation for the resources and the memories that people make there. I am also excited by the opportunity to work with park staff and strengthen relationships with the community to collectively care for these amazing places.”

The Outer Banks Group is comprised of Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Fort Raleigh National Historic Site and Wright Brothers National Memorial.

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