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## Cinda Waldbuesser selected as superintendent of Canaveral National Seashore

**ATLANTA** — National Park Service (NPS) acting Regional Director Pedro Ramos announced the selection of Cinda Waldbuesser as the new superintendent of [Canaveral National Seashore](#), effective Aug. 29.

“I am pleased to welcome Cinda back to the region as the new superintendent for Canaveral National Seashore where she will lead the effort in addressing complex natural resource management issues,” **Ramos** said. “Her strong focus on strategy and stakeholder engagement will add tremendous value toward preserving the Seashore’s unique natural and cultural resources which afford visitors extraordinary recreational opportunities.”

Canaveral National Seashore contains nearly 58,000 acres of barrier island, open lagoon, coastal hammock, pine flatwoods and offshore waters. Nestled in two-thirds of the park is Mosquito Lagoon – one of the most diverse and productive estuaries in North America.

“I’m thrilled to be selected as the next superintendent of Canaveral National Seashore,” **Waldbuesser** said. “I am looking forward to working closely with the park’s many partners to protect the pristine shoreline and tell the important stories of the park’s many historical treasures.



Cinda Waldbuesser, superintendent  
Canaveral National Seashore  
NPS photo

Waldbuesser previously served as the superintendent of First State National Historical Park, where she managed operations of the six diverse park sites located throughout the state of Delaware that collectively tell the story of the early settlement of Delaware through the ratification of the United States Constitution. During her tenure at First State, Waldbusser was instrumental in revamping park operations to increase visitor engagement, establishing park partnerships and the planning for the operations of the park's first welcome center.

Prior to First State, Waldbuesser worked as the NPS regional partnership and cooperating association program manager and as chief of staff working closely with parks and regional employees on many complicated and high-profile issues. In this capacity, she co-chaired the NPS National Partnership Council and was influential in

the reshaping of the NPS Partnership Policy and the development of partnership training that reached more than 350 NPS staff and park partners.

Waldbuesser also previously served in details as: the chief of interpretation and education for the Outer Banks Group, which includes Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Wright Brothers National Memorial, and Fort Raleigh National Historic Site; as acting superintendent of First State National Historical Park, and as the public affairs officer at Independence National Historical Park.

Before joining NPS, Waldbuesser worked on Capitol Hill as a senior associate for Blakely & Agnew LLC – a public affairs firm – and as the senior program manager for a nonprofit NPS partner, the National Parks Conservation Association.

Waldbuesser graduated from Cornell University with degree in American Studies and completed graduate course work at Duke University. Waldbuesser, her husband, Kyle, their three children, and three rescue dogs love hiking, traveling, and spending time at the beach.

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*[Canaveral National Seashore](#) consists of approximately 25 miles of undeveloped pristine barrier island composed of dune, hammock and lagoon habitats that provide protection from storms, preserves ancient Timucua Native American mounds and is a vital sanctuary for thousands of species of plants and animals. Two-thirds of the park is contained within Mosquito Lagoon. The lagoon is designated an estuary of national significance, as it is one of the most diverse and productive estuaries in North America, and an outstanding Florida water. The park offers fishing, boating, hiking and beach activities Visitors may also view rocket launches during park operating hours at Kennedy Space Center, which occupies the southern end of the island.*

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