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## Who Do I Call? Ferry, Tram and Barge Information

The ferry and tram systems are privately owned by BHI Limited, leased by BHI Transportation and regulated by the NC Utilities Commission (NCUC). These systems include the ferries, trams, docks, barge and parking, and BHI Limited has been working with the BHI Transportation Authority (BHITA) toward the possibility of acquiring the assets since 2017.

As of press time during Phase 2 of Governor Cooper's Executive Order, all ferry vessels are limited to 75 passengers plus crew. Regular ferry schedules were back in effect as of May 23, 2020. And all passengers are required to wear a "hands free" facial mask/covering at all times on ferries, trams and shuttles. For timely ferry announcements and schedules, visit *BaldHeadIslandFerry.com*.

For tram reservations departing Deep Point and going to BHI homes, call 910-457-5003. For tram reservations departing BHI, call 910-457-5006. Call in advance, especially during busy times on BHI. During emergency evacuations, make tram reservations as far in advance as possible.

## The Barge

The Barge is available for carrying cargo, vehicles, supplies and equipment to Bald Head Island. Wind/ weather permitting, the barge runs Monday through Friday, and the last barge off the Island is 3:00pm. For appointments, fees, details and announcements, call 910-457-5205 or visit *BHIbarge.com*. Barge office hours are 7:30am-2:30pm Monday-Friday. Make reservations as much in advance as possible, with a minimum of two weeks in advance recommended, especially if returning on the same day.

Keep in mind that barge reservations must be canceled at least 24 hours in advance to avoid being charged the full amount. And only one person is allowed in the vehicle while on the barge, which is a Coast Guard regulation.

Delays and cancellations due to inclement weather such as fog and high winds can affect the barge schedule, so contact the barge office for timely information. If the barge cannot run and your service provider is stuck on Bald Head Island, contact the Dockmaster at 910-457-7380. Make sure that your service provider is aware of all of this information in advance. If the barge cannot run, the ICE vehicle driver will have to make arrangements to return to Deep Point on the contractor or passenger ferry and then come back to BHI for the vehicle's return trip the next business day.

If, however, your service provider missed the barge for another reason, such as being late, he/she has to report to Contractor Services. This affects the ICE daily permit, parking and arrangements to return to Deep Point on the contractor or passenger ferry.

Remember that no ICE vehicles can be parked at a residence overnight.