

Re .Submission on Granity, Ngakawau, Hector beach use and access.

To whom it may concern

Sir/Madam, it has recently come to my notice that a Submission has been made to ban the use of all motor vehicles on our beach. I must express my strong opposition to any such move.

The small number of vehicles that make use of the beach can hardly be considered a factor in the current situation regarding local erosion though this no doubt is being used as an excuse.

On the contrary access to the beach is already poor meaning Rescue and emergency vehicles would be unable to use the beach in any emergency.

Ours is a community with many older people who collect driftwood for their fires and spend a lot of time fishing off the beach. Not being able to use our vehicles would cut off our ability to access this resource.

Whoever made the Submission to ban vehicles patently has not considered or has probably ignored the ethos ,culture and geo-historic heritage of our community.

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