Rulemaking OAR 736-024-0015
Public comments received
December 10, 2020 through
December 11, 2020
As regards banning cars on the beach around Cape Kiwanda, my family’s comment is “We support any and all bans on cars on any beach in Oregon”. So ban away! Anywhere and everywhere you can.

Carl Axelsen & Family,
Portland, Manzanita, Terrebonne, Bend Oregon
First Name  Blaze
Last Name  Bault
Email  blazebault@gmail.com
Public Comment  DO NOT restrict access to the beach. I travel to the beach every few months and enjoy accessing our states beautiful shoreline removing access would prohibit access to thousands of disabled visitors.

Submission ID: 40cdde4e-7502-4bfa-828f-933ac8ec9334

Record ID: 302
First Name | Sara  
---|---  
Last Name | Wright  
Email | ostling32@gmail.com  
Public Comment | I strongly support getting cars off the beach everywhere. Cars on the beach are dangerous and unnecessary. While there may be a limited number of people for whom getting onto the beach is impossible without a car, there are certainly ways to address that access issue more effectively without a blanket permission for cars. There are far, far more people out there whose access to the beach is limited by our terrible transportation options; let’s ban cars on the beach and concentrate on getting better transit, biking and walking access to the beach for people of all income levels and abilities.

Submission ID: 94ee0b38-dd86-44e4-a698-95a6a5df7440

Record ID: 303
I am against the ban on beach driving at Cape Kiwanda. With the crowds of people who already visit the area, there is a severe lack of available space to park. This would lead to more people walking on the streets and parking, likely illegally, in neighborhoods. In some instances, I have had to walk nearly half a mile to the Cape on a road without space to walk on the shoulder. This puts individuals in a dangerous position.
First Name | Sheila  
---|---
Last Name | Snow  
Email | Riversnow@yahoo.com  
Public Comment | Thank you for doing this, it is long overdue. I stopped going there due to all the vehicles on the beach. Vehicles should not be allowed period on beaches. Vehicles have enough places to drive as it is. Beaches should be for non motorized enjoyment and for safety and care for wildlife and the precious beach environment.

**Submission ID:** 61198da6-8b62-4227-8789-fbdc8d111370  
**Record ID:** 305
Hi OPRD!

I strongly support keeping motor vehicles off of Oregon's beaches. The novelty has worn off, and the people who do it now really need to feel the sand between their toes, not under their SUV chassis.

Thanks,

John Wood
Hood River
Oregon Voter since 1985
People and vehicles have been mixing fine on the OR coast for many many years. You’re attempting to solve a problem that doesn’t exist (at least based on my personal experience from years of visiting). The proposal disrupts "free and uninterrupted use of the beaches" by making large swaths unavailable for use for those individuals who rely on their vehicles. Your proposal mostly seems to benefit the wealthy homeowners who’ll be able to enjoy their public beaches privately. Please do not use the pandemic as an excuse to encroach on our ability to use our public space. Rather, challenge yourself and your agency to expand public use of our beautiful beaches in these difficult times where more and more people rely on these spaces.

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Thank you,

James Mikell
503.432.3723
James.W.Mikell@gmail.com
To Whom it May Concern

This letter is being prepared in response to Proposal for Rulemaking, OAR 736-024-0015.

My family and I are NOT in support of this proposal to modify access to beaches in South Tillamook County via car/vehicle for the following reasons:

Upon review of the Summary of Commission mtg on 11/17/2020 - no clear purpose and need was identified/communicated. While pedestrian safety was noted as a concern, no data on accidents/incidents has been presented to warrant any proposed action.

Staffing to manage traffic was also presented. It is uncertain how/why staffing is limited and what staffing would do to prevent any safety concerns (to which no data was presented).

It is my understanding that the beaches of interest are public entities with public right to access these lands.

My family enjoys the unique ability to access these public places. It allows for us (and others) to disperse without the "agony" of dispersal by feet with young children. Accessing the beach by vehicle allows a unique experience that has become a hallmark of our family vacations. It is truly unique to this region and something we value/cherish frequently.

I am concerned that without access, parking and loitering at limited access points will create additional, unforeseen, safety concerns not currently present. Currently, parking is a major concern with no mitigation in sight.

With this proposed change, we (as other families) may seek opportunities along other beaches within other communities. This would have direct impact on the communities/businesses that rely upon consistent visitation from season to season and throughout the years.

I strongly recommend you consider ALL sides of this debate. I have worked public policy/scoping for NEPA projects. I am familiar with this process. I would be more in support of this if there was evidence of environmental degradation. I do not believe that is a factor in this analysis. Public access by vehicle has become precedent.

I appreciate your time.

Respectfully
Chris Denton
541.350.3343
To whom it may concern,

I have a few questions after reading the press release for the first time:

1. Who (exactly how many people and exactly who?) will be voting on the proposed changes after you receive public input and how does it pass or fail?

2. How will the revenue from parking in PC be spent in PC?

3. The information from the press release stated that eliminating driving on the beach will allow park rangers to go elsewhere? Where will they go? How many will be laid off?

4. When the initial shutdown happened, I believe the reason given was because of Covid? Is that correct? If yes, what, when, who, how, and why did this change?

5. If you were someone completely against this idea, how do would you stop the proposed changes?

6. Would it help to have legal representation involved or is there no opportunity for that in this process? (Excuse my ignorance when it comes to someone taking away my rights. This hasn’t happened right in front of me before. It’s scary).

I will have more questions after I read the press release a few more times.

Respectfully,

Marty Palmer

Sent from my iPhone
I have lived in south Tillamook County for 60 years and have paid all the county and state taxes that provide me the right to drive on the beach to fish and enjoy the outdoors. I think it is the most stupid idea yet to come from our commissioners to take another freedom away from us. It is time people take responsibility for their actions. If these people who are causing problems are cited and held accountable for their actions, then you would not have to punish the majority of the public that have not done anything wrong. Closing the beach is just taking away another freedom that we all enjoy. What is the next freedom that is going to be taken?

Thank you

Greg

sent from Greg
It's disgusting and disappear the government keeps restricting motor recreation. The government keeps closing public land for off roaders without giving access to new land it's ridiculous getting punished for try to recreat off road.
I strongly support keeping motor vehicles off of Oregon's beaches. The novelty has worn off, and the people who do it now really need to feel the sand between their toes, not under their SUV chassis. They can still drive on Florida beaches where that kind of behavior is expected and where the rising seas will wash away their folly in the coming years, but in Oregon, we can get rid of it right now. Ban motor vehicles on the beaches (except I think it would be OK to launch boats near Pacific City and for lifeguards and rescue outfits).
I would like to see all driving on beaches prohibited. Period. It’s hazardous to mix vehicles with pedestrians. So I am expressing my agreement with these proposed changes. I suppose there will always be exceptions, but they should really be reserved for exceptional circumstances (boat launch, possibly permitted wood firewood collection). Just fyi, I am a Tillamook County taxpayer.
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**Public Comment**: I am absolutely in favor of this proposal. I enjoy using the beach with my family, and I believe that automobile traffic is incompatible with safe beach usage. I feel that dory launching is a good compromise use. Thank you.

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**Public Comment:** Comment in regards to banning vehicles on beaches in Tillamook County, I strongly disagree with the proposed ban and ask the State park to reconsider there predetermined new rules that will not change whatsoever due to actual public opinions. People have been driving on that stretch of beach for decades and the general public does not need Oregon State Parks to protect us form things that have not been in the past nor currently an actual issue. There has never been "state park staff" at this stretch of beach coordinating anything or protecting the general public from anything and trying to use a worldwide pandemic as some kind of excuse to justify overreach by Oregon State Parks on this issue and others is beyond ridiculous. Closing this stretch down does nothing more than give Oregon State Parks another excuse to waste more taxpayer funds with continued overdeveloping and put up even more unsightly and useless signs to continue littering the actual natural beauty the Oregon Coast offers. Please stop destroying the State Parks for those of us who actually live in Oregon. Kirk Barnes Lifelong Oregonian Bend Oregon

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<td>Please close this beach to cars except for the Dory fleet. Cape Kiwanda is one of the most precious areas if the coast. The absolutely unnessecary driving which has lead to drag racing and utter disregard for others safety as well as disrespect for a beautiful natural area is an extreme detractor. There will be plenty of business, tourists, and customers without allowing cars in the beach. Every time I am fortunate enough to spend time on the beach I know that sadly, wildlife is suffering because of car traffic. This area should be left to pedestrians, beach walkers, and families. It should not be a destination for partying, leaving garbage, and disrespectsing natural beauty. They aren't allowed on other parts of the coast so why continue to allow that at Kiwanda. In less crowded timesmaybe it was okay but it isn't anymore and as a home owner in Pacific City I am asking for car traffic to end so that everyone can enjoy the beach. Thank you.</td>
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**Record ID:** 310
First Name    David
Last Name     Trach
Email         Tractordave@gmail.com

Public Comment: I support closing any and all beaches to motorized vehicles. Retaining access only for emergency vehicles and a reasonable amount of dory launching is a positive means to limit crowds and unsafe combinations of people and vehicles.
First Name | Amber  
---|---  
Last Name | Koons  
Email | Gobeavs23@yahoo.com  
**Public Comment** | Hello, I am writing in opposition. I would like to have the ability to drive on the beach again. I am a homeowner in Pacific City and I see the ebbs and flows of tourists throughout the year. Driving on the beach is a major draw for people to visit our town and helps support local businesses. I believe if you take that away, local businesses will suffer and not be able to sustain themselves. This has been a tough year and taking away even more seems backwards of where we should be headed as a community. Thank you for your time, Amber Koons  

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<td>I strongly support restricting driving on the beach and charging for parking to help fund maintenance. These changes would result in a much better experience for beachgoers and ensure this area remains a wonderful public asset and destination.</td>
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Public Comment

I support this proposed restriction of driving on the beach in this area. I'd like to see NO driving on our beaches for the good of the environment as well as the public's safety. I live in Portland but visit the Oregon coast often (well, I did before Covid) and am happy to pay day use fees. Thank you for allowing me share my opinion and for the work you do.

Submission ID: 75130af0-f6b7-448e-8699-aa828f51b898

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I encourage you to adopt these proposed rules, which will be a huge improvement of the status quo. I go to Tierra del Mar and always about me or my dog or family getting hit by a reckless driver on the beach, especially as these areas have grown more popular. Making the beach from TDM to Sand Lake car free year round will enable my family to enjoy the beach without worrying about cars and their drivers, whom, as many folks have observed, often exhibit bad, rude, drunken, dangerous, and stupid behavior at the beach, ruining it for everyone else. The stretch between TDM to Cape Kiwanda, where vehicles will still be allowed, is frequently terrifying due to fast trucks who drive too close to pedestrians. In my opinion the rules don’t go far enough but I suppose this is the result of a compromise, so I support it. Pacific City has been a total mess for the past few summers, so I’m glad that efforts are being made to improve things.
I support banning vehicles from driving on the beach year-round from the mouth of Sand Lake to the northern boundary of Cape Kiwanda. We have experienced numerous conflicts between pedestrian users of the beach and vehicle users of the beach at Tierra del Mar, consistently brought on by irresponsible drivers. Clarifying the rules to ban driving year-round will end these conflicts and end confusion around appropriate times to have a vehicle on the beach. I am agnostic as to the second change- I have not been to that part of the beach and it would be irresponsible of me to speak on what I don't know.
First Name | Caroline  
Last Name  | House     
Email      | house.caroline@gmail.com  

Public Comment | I strongly support the proposed rules changes to prohibit driving along these stretches of the Oregon Coast. These popular stretches are frequently experiencing user conflicts and the native wildlife are getting pushed out of the area. Without question removing motor vehicles will reduce and/or eliminate these issues. In addition, this change will almost certainly improve the beach experience for the majority of visitors compared to the few that currently benefit from the motor vehicular access. Thanks for taking the time to read this comment.

Submission ID: 9ef59f4c-c1c5-4c1c-bfec-8b08efa2cfd6

Record ID: 317
First Name | Matthew  
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Last Name | Anderson  
Email | mattcoa@comcast.net  
Public Comment | I disagree with the proposed restriction. Pacific City is my family's favorite destination on the Oregon Coast. The reason we like Pacific is because we are able to drive our 4 wheel pickup truck on the beach. This is a real convenience as it enables us to enjoy the beach without having to carry beach furniture and coolers great distances. Making the proposed changes will force us to find more convenient beach access and spend our money somewhere other than Tillamook County.  
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<td>I support this proposal and applaud the effort to protect Oregon beaches, raise funds for OPRD, and enhance the coastal experience for everyone. I visit this beach at least twice yearly and feel that vehicles on the beaches pose safety concerns, environmental concerns, and inhibit the natural beauty and views. Please consider adding parking lots on off-beach areas to help visitors find parking and avoid blocking roads and local driveways. Thank you.</td>
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Record ID: 319
| First Name | michael |
| Last Name  | akers   |
| Email      | mikesautorepaitowing@gmail.com |

Public Comment

I think if we close this section of the beach we should then get signatures to reduce funding for parks and rec in that area. if you want to take away from a longtime public tradition we should then defund parks. in a time when everything is getting limited you want to continue to take more and even start charging, lets just get signatures and advocate defunding parks service and take it private like oregon rest areas. Stop the taking from whats public and do your jobs. the more you take away from what is public the more backlash you will recieve and the less support you will get including from me and my family.
First Name | Jacob  
---|---  
Last Name | Hanson  
Email | Uturnguy@me.com  
Public Comment | Don’t do it! If you go through with it it will cause a headache with parking, and cause people to not come to PC and you will lose tourism dollars. Don’t do it.

Submission ID: dc35f320-2358-4f54-8746-22ac78c47e39

Record ID: 320
First Name | Matthew  
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Last Name | Scheiber  
Email | Matthew.scheiber@gmail.com  
**Public Comment**
Regarding the proposal to restrict vehicles on the beach in Pacific City, south of the boat ramp. My family and I vacation to this area several times each summer simply because we can drive and tailgate on the beach. I've spent thousands of dollars over the years between the businesses near the ramp and taking this away will take away the reason we vacation here. There is already not enough parking in the lot at the ramp, and we've never seen any unsafe activity regarding vehicles and pedestrians on the beach. Everyone drives slow and respectfully of one another. Please don't take away the primary reason we visit and love PC.

**Submission ID:** 2105d3fd-03bd-4b09-a220-4b0f2b897dee  
**Record ID:** 322
First Name | Dave  
---|---
Last Name | Frolov  
Email | frolov9230@gmail.com  
Public Comment | I completely disagree with this ban, just another way OPRD taking tax payers Freedoms and Rights away. Most Oregon beaches don't allow cars as is, this is just another example of government over reach. I hope that reasonable people can decide that a few Oregon beaches can still allow the public to drive and park their car's on PUBLIC beaches. Thank you.

Submission ID: 7587ad15-198c-4df8-b0fd-f380e97d30c5  
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I support limiting vehicular access to Cape Kiwanda and Sitka Sedge State Park. I grew up coming to Pacific City and now 45 years later the conflict between the cars on the beach, the public on foot, and the scenic beauty of the Cape is in conflict. Having had the cars off the beach this summer really made a dramatically nicer experience on the beach for everyone and seemed immensely more safe. Having seen so many close calls with 4x4’s out not he beach and little kids + adults, I can tell you that it does not make sense to let the public drive on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. Countless first hand accounts of careless drivers unaware of driving on sand and putting others at risk due to their recklessness. It does not have to happen and we've seen since March the great benefit of a carless Cape. So much nicer for the public to gather, enjoy the views, and let kids run around. Also as a Dory fisherman the access to the beach has improved greatly and the conflict with cars stuck on the access drive has made an improved experience for tourists. I've first hand seen in the past frustrated drivers (both doormen and tourists) and that was not apparent to me this year at all. Since no cars were not coming down on the beach the access driveway for dory fisherman was much easier to navigate with a boat in tow, which also made is much nicer experience for tourist watching the boats. I saw so many positive transactions between the dory fisherman and people watching this year than I've seen in the past. Thank you for your time and consideration to make this rule happen. Again, please keep the cars off Cape Kiwanda beach and Sitka Sedge State Park.
**Public Comment**

**Name:** Brianne T

**Email:** Brf71894@yahoo.com

**Comment:** I’d gladly pay for parking if it means a cleaner beach that’s not full of vehicles! Love this. I definitely hope it passes.

**Submission ID:** 3e8d5c56-2336-45c3-9333-5867865fb2c3

**Record ID:** 325
**First Name**: steve

**Last Name**: adey

**Email**: steve80adey@gmail.com

**Public Comment**: Personally, I support banning all driving on Oregon beaches. Removing vehicles from this small section is a great idea and hopefully the is start of a wider ban.

**Submission ID**: 8918d4cd-ecfd-445a-9f25-e83c3fd7671d

**Record ID**: 326
I support the ban on public beach driving in Pacific City. For far too long inexperienced and reckless drivers have put beach goers at risk. Prohibiting cars on the beach will allow a safer experience for families and beach lovers while also allowing more people to enjoy the area previously taken up by parked cars/vehicles.
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Record ID: 328
First Name | Mary Anne
Last Name | Joyce
Email | maj7900@yahoo.com
Public Comment | I support restricting driving on the beach in South Tillamook County. Beach driving is not needed.

Submission ID: 25872d45-6704-4ed4-8a56-55fd5239ab4e
Record ID: 329
Driving on the beaches of the Pacific Northwest needs to end. Thoughtless people drive on fragile dunes, contribute to erosion and litter, and destroy the ability of pedestrians to enjoy the beach. As a Long Beach, WA area homeowner, I've seen the disruption beach driving causes. Families must be extra wary to keep children and pets safe from vehicles. Beach activities must be located "out of the the right-of-way" of vehicles. Birds are disrupted from nesting and resting locations. Noise of engines and loud music destroys the ambient sounds of the ocean. There is no expediency or reason for driving on the beach - it's just a thrill ride whose time has come and gone. Stop beach driving. It's a hazard inflicted by selfish people with no thought of others.
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**Public Comment**

As one who frequents the state parks that my tax dollars go to, I think it is absurd that you remove parking on the beach and then expect people to pay $10 for the very limited options in town. Do you honestly think this will help your problem? Doubtful. Was there any thought to add parking elsewhere and create a shuttle? Probably not. Also, I think it’s great the locals have a voice but this is also a state park, so all voices should be equally represented. If bad drivers are out there then where are the rangers that write violations at? We already laugh at the piss poor fence on the cape that doesn’t hold anyone back from continuing on meanwhile some wannabe ranger tries to inform them of their bad choices? Find the irony? Welcome to Oregon.

**Submission ID:** 62dec866-e3e7-4af8-be06-b87d74ddcaae

**Record ID:** 331
As someone that has watched the driving chaos on the beach spending a week there I fully support banning cars.

Submission ID: 81614506-ac92-4d23-9ba6-3a7b4d12c391

Record ID: 332
Public Comment
Cape Kiwanda/ Pacific City is so very special and has my family's favorite part of the Oregon Coast. We love the Dory Boats and understand these folks need their vehicles but I've been a long time fan of restricting other vehicles from driving on the beach. There are a lot more people strolling and just wanting to chill on the beach with their picnic food etc. I just don't want anyone to lose a child or other family member like Grandma or Grandpa due to an accident. Spoiler alert, the fast moving truck will win everytime 😞 I've been enjoying this area since 1984. Thank you for your consideration, Kathy Nordskog Wallet
People and vehicles have been mixing fine on the OR coast for many many years. You're attempting to solve a problem that doesn't exist (at least based on my personal experience from years of visiting). The proposal disrupts "free and uninterrupted use of the beaches" by making large swaths unavailable for use for those individuals who rely on their vehicles. Your proposal mostly seems to benefit the wealthy homeowners who'll be able to enjoy their public beaches privately. Please do not use the pandemic as an excuse to encroach on our ability to use our public space. Rather, challenge yourself and your agency to expand public use of our beautiful beaches in these difficult times where more and more people rely on these spaces.
I am a native Oregonian though I live in Southern California now. Meeting annually at Kiwanda Shores in Pacific City - and enjoying the gift that is the beach and the Cape for well over half of my life - is an integral part of our shared family memories and those of our extended 'family' who have joined us. So much so we feel like townies when we're there - respectful patrons of this small community. I am fairly assured I can speak for my siblings, relatives and friends - well over 60+ of us over the years, most who still live in the Beaver State - that we heartily endorse this proposed action. As much as we've enjoyed watching the Dory boats come in - some of us since early childhood - we've cast a wary eye at the array of vehicles strewn unattractively - and somewhat menacingly - on an otherwise welcoming shoreline. We agree that public access to our beaches IS a gift to it's citizens - one rightly championed by Gov. McCall all those decades ago. But 'balance' is the right term here - and non-livelihood related cars & trucks dont belong there. They never have. Sincerely, Vincent Jelineo
First Name | Daryl  
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Last Name | Keenan  
Email | Jeepdude_82@yahoo.com  
**Public Comment** | My son and I traveled to Pacific City this summer. I had planned on parking on the beach and then visiting some of the local establishments for lunch. When we arrived all of the vehicle access to the beaches were closed and there was no place to safely/legally park in town. We ended up leaving Pacific City and traveled down to Lincoln County to have lunch. I believe that closing of vehicle access to your beaches will end up having a negative impact on the local community. I hope that you reconsider these closures.

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**MARSHALL Janelle * OPRD**

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Record ID: 338
First Name | Kathy  
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Last Name | Sawyer  
Email | kathleensawyer@gmail.com  
Public Comment | Being on a fixed income and handicapped this proposal will inhibit me from visiting the beach. It seems you don't care or have tunnel vision. Please look at the impact will be if you proceed with this.
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com  
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Record ID: 340
I support the rule and closure to protect public safety and improve conditions for recreational use on the beach. My family owns property in south Tillamook County near the beach and have experienced numerous instances of overcrowding that led to what felt like unsafe conditions especially for older people and those with young kids as cars tried to navigate. I have also witnessed many cars driven by inexperienced drivers get stuck near the beach entrance which prevented the flow of traffic especially from dorymen. Pleas adopt the rule as proposed. Thank you for taking my comment- David
First Name | Heather  
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Last Name | Blackburn  
Email | hblackburn13@gmail.com  
Public Comment | It has been so peaceful to walk on the beach during this time of no cars. I can only imagine that this is keeping the beach in better shape as well. I'm hopeful this will continue.
Commenting on the proposal I am not in favor of the vehicle restrictions on ocean beaches.

I am commenting for 25 of my family members please count each one.
I'm fine with no beach driving for most. I think, however, Dory Boat people should be exempt so they are able to launch and disembark as needed, per the city's tradition. Thanks.

Best regards,

Amanda L Briles

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device
Yes, please permanently ban driving on the beach at Cape Kiwanda.

Reasons:
Safety for all users
Protection of wildlife and plant life.
Noise pollution
Pleasant environment for walkers, children, elders who can relax without looking in all directions for car traffic. We can stay in town if we want to dodge cars!

Thank you,
Loriann McNeill
This is absolutely crazy there's nowhere to park their the locals have to pay $10 this is nuts keep the beach open keep the parking open there's too many tourist there
Please consider the following: I strongly support the proposed restriction on vehicles on the beach for numerous reasons: excess vehicles present environmental concerns because they erode the beach and at times spills from vehicles can occur; vehicles also present a safety hazard to foot traffic; cars and trucks often get stuck resulting in additional traffic (tow trucks); the vehicles are unsightly; the exception for the launching of boats is not preferred, but acceptable based upon historical precedent. Richard Hunt: Property owner in Nantucket Shores.
Hi.

This is the 1st step towards privatizing Pacific City & the Oregon Coast.
My father was a grande WW2 Gunnersmate in the Pacific Theater...
...he did not trade his youth to fight the Japaneze so you can turn Pacific City into a private Mormon coastal strip mall.
Your attempting to make a born right in the State of Oregon, illegal.
Your attempting to make another freedom, illegal.
Can I see your birth certificate?

I grew up on that beach while my father fished & we had beach bbq's.
My children & my friends children started surfing that beach when they turned 16...
...& continue surfing that beach today, W/ their children & friends.
Today, locating a affordable Motel is as rare as the Unicorn itself.
Not to mention, we hear constant complaints about Police harassing locale surfers while trying to find a place to park at night.
Your attempting to cause the 4x4 automotive & surfing industry to suffer a 20% sales slump.
Your attempting to replace the epicenter of Oregon Surfing Culture...
...W/ a bunch of Willamette Valley idiots that are gonna' leave all the trash they bought @ Walmart this morning...
...on the beach.
Surfers are environmentalists.
Nobody has a better grasp of todays water quality than the kids in the water.
During times of disaster the beach is a haven.
During hard times, the beach is a haven.
Your 4x4 parked on the beach W/ bonfire & your poor college friends &/or family is a haven of safety.
Theres 7.8 Billion people in the world....
...theres 3.8 million Oregonians...
...of those 3.8 million Oregonians, they must have done something really amazing to be born in Oregon...
...& 1 of those selling points might have been...
...Oregon has a Totally Freaking Awesome surf break call'd Pacific City...
...where U can tailgate & bonfire W/ your skool mates, family & friends...
...& U don't have to worry about sum Nazi-Japaneze Security guard...
...from a snoby-discriminating Mormon strip mall, housing development, resort, harassing you.
You can totally kick your feet up like your on IwoJima W/ your platoon...
...except here...
...you can do it W/ hot chicks from locale native born Oregon skools & towns.
Your proposing 1 of the dumbest idea's I have heard this century!
I want to see your birth certificate.
This is one of the few places people are able to do this and is a long held delight for many families in Oregon.

It has been able to be safely done for decades. Do not exploit a crisis to push more government restrictions.
I agree with prohibiting driving on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. However, it gets very busy there in the Summer, and that parking lot fills up quickly. Could another parking lot be built nearby?

Thank you,
Cindy Young
Brookings, OR
Dont do it. It's that simple. Making already stupid coronavirus restrictions permanent shows how government just wants to control THE PEOPLE. I've been going to Pacific city to fish for years parking fees and beach access closers ruin the experience. Its simple...stop with all the unnecessary rules
I do not like this proposal in any way shape of not driving on beach i am disabled and my wife .THE only way we get to the water is in our car .Yuo have not thought this out to disabled peaple.Im Not happy  with taking my rights away.
I have lived in Oregon my entire life. The last trip my grandfather was able to take to see the river mouth of the Nestucca was done so by driving because he could no longer walk the beach. Without this access it will prevent individuals with limitations from being able to enjoy their public lands. This would be a great dis-service to our public.

Sent from my iPhone
Dear Committee,

I was elated to hear about the proposal to ban motor vehicles from driving on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. I had stopped going to that beach because it sometimes felt like a road rather than a beach.

Cars are noisy. They don’t mix well with people or wildlife. They frighten birds. They ruin the aesthetic experience of being at the ocean.

I hope to see the day when cars are banned from all Oregon beaches, including the beautiful beach at Sitka Sedge State Natural Area, where I have seen cars frighten snowy plover in what is meant to be a refuge for the protected birds.

Please protect the sanctity and beauty of our beaches. Ban cars from Cape Kiwanda!

Sincerely,
Nadene LeCheminant
Salem, Oregon 97302
Hello,
My name is Paul J. Snodgrass - I live at 10130 SW old orchard lane in West slope. My family and I have been a long time users of the Cape Kiwanda beach area in Pacific City (over 25 years and leased permanent space in the RV park for many years ). As you may be aware, they have closed the beach access to all except the "dory" fishing boats, trucks, and trailers. This closure was originally done due to Covid and the lack of funding the state parks were / are facing. This has now morphed into the complete closure except for one special interest group. They say it's to prevent accidents between motor vehicles and people although so far there have been none. The only collisions have been with boats and people in and around the water there, last one cost the state over 4 million then a uninsured "dory" driver ran over Cole Ortega. nothing has been done since that accident and I have seen many close calls these since. I'm sure then next one will be substantially more as nothing to prevent it again has happened.
although this action did a major accident on the road there as well as blocked access to rescuers that may have cost a fisherman his life off the south end of the haystack rock there.
Even after the Tillamook commissioners held a town meeting which I spoke at with many others, and they did a survey of hundreds of people overwhelm in support of keeping the beach open (including the local living people).
This seems to be guided by one individual on the commission steering the others to make this move.
So now they want to start charging to park there,,, ok first you need somewhere to park, then how to safely get all the people to the beach.... remember there’s been one major accident on the road there due to the parking restrictions on the beach last summer,,, this next is projected to be 5 time more due to Covid relaxed rules... so.....
The bottom line is we need to stop this from passing... It will make matters there MUCH WORSE... check the surveys and testimony given already... if anything should be restricted it's the speed boats running over people there.... Nowhere else can a boat go faster than 5mph within 100 ft. of swimmers.... it's crazy there with the boats... I shot the pictures of Cole being run over by the boat...
PLEASE HELP!!!!
this needs real planning and additional parking prior to removal of hundreds of parking spaces.
Hi, of all of the Oregon coast, one thing that actually helps Cape Kiwanda at Pacific City standout is that you can drive on the beach. There are so few places you still can, and it would be terrible to lose for families. Taking children out to the beach with all the needed supplies for a day is so difficult otherwise. I am a limited mobility individual, and the ability for me to drive on the beach, with a chair and sand toys, is a total game changer. To lose this for my family would be devistating.

I also imagine there would be a negative impact in the brewery with not only eliminating spaces for people to park on the beach, but if parking was paid. There is so much walk in traffic, including those on the beach. It is such a fantastic atmosphere on this beach, and one of the few places where you can get this type of experience. Please don't change this.

Families come to this beach because of what it is. This type of change will unfortunately make it a less desirable location for those families.

Thank you for reading,

Steve
I vote no on closing any beaches. They are the public's lands and you've closed far too many already and still get millions in taxes and no one can use them no more!
Please consider including the Del Rey beach north to Sunset beach area to reduce and/or eliminate driving on the beach as well as charge a parking fee as a start point. It has become out of control, an increasing hazard to anyone who wants to share use of the area as drivers are reckless and, have become destructive of dunes flora, fauna & habitat.

Regards,

Cindy Baker
Surf Pines

Sent from my iPhone
Most people don’t joy ride long distances on the beach. Most (like myself) use cars as a way to shelter from the cold and pop out a bbq. Why would you ruin the experience for so many Oregonians who’ve created traditions thanks to easy beach access? Please don’t take car beach access away!
First Name | Yevgen
---|---
Last Name | Shapovalov
Email | eugenes1209@gmail.com
Public Comment | This proposal is a bad idea because then all visitors will be required to carry heavy luggage such as barbecues, chairs, volleyball nets etc. instead of easily driving to their spot.

Submission ID: d87d7ac6-bd27-4ebc-8db0-935f11682f74

Record ID: 344
First Name: Peggy
Last Name: Latshaw
Email: peggylatshaw@gmail.com
Public Comment: Ban ALL vehicle/vehicle driving on Oregon beaches. Don't understand how it was ever allowed!!

Submission ID: c98b02b6-5c06-4fc9-9fec-081b27263178
Record ID: 345
First Name: Josh
Last Name: Calef
Email: Nerdski77@hotmail.com
Public Comment: I disagree with this change in its principle. One of the few beach access driving spots in the State and you want to shut it down. No... I’m not on board with that.
Thank you so much for enacting this important change. I see no reason why the general public should be allowed to drive on Oregon’s beaches and Pacific City should not be an exception. I understand the need to accommodate commercial fishing but these activities should require a visible permit and the requirement for a permit should be enforced. I love that Oregon’s beaches are for pedestrians only. I will feel more safe peaceful walking on Pacific City’s beaches and I feel better knowing that oils and other pollutants are less likely to be introduced into the marine environment. Thank you State of Oregon Parks.

Submission ID: f7514d00-702e-4d6e-87f7-7f4ae7de5d67

Record ID: 347
First Name | Dale  
Last Name  | Santa  
Email      | Dsanta@noblefoods.com  
Public Comment | Just another right taken away from the people of Oregon! We pay high taxes and keep getting nothing in this Democratic state. Driving on the beach was granted to the Oregon people by a real governor and now taking that right away is bull crap. Soon Oregonians will have no rights! Democrats destroying Oregon!  

Submission ID: df4b0818-222f-45e2-9ec2-176cac9869b5  
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<td>Please allow vehicles with Handicapped Placards to drive on these beaches. We go to these beaches with our grand children because they are accessible by car. We no longer go to the beach at Cannon Beach because we cannot access it on foot. At Del Mar we can park, picnic, play in the sand and enjoy the beach. Please do no take this way from us.</td>
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Submission ID: 186bbc72-6516-47fe-bf46-e4e4fb190fd0

Record ID: 349
Dear Advisory Committee, I am the mom of a toddler killed by a careless driver, writing to support the proposed restrictions on driving on the beach in Oregon. Today's SUVs and trucks have enormous blind spots - a normal sized person is not able to see a child walking or sitting up to 10 feet ahead of them. (see: https://kmph.com/news/local/dangerous-blind-spots-in-trucks-and-suvs-cause-hundreds-of-child-deaths) With all the families, dogs, and especially children who play on the beach near Pacific City, continuing to allow cars is a tragedy waiting to happen. Having lost my son this way, I can say that no amount of cost savings or convenience can justify putting children and families at risk. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Michelle DuBarry
Please do not restrict driving access to the beach anymore than already have been done. Access is already closed during the summer months. Just because a service has failed to be provided during the pandemic does not mean that service should be eliminated permanently to save money. The only reason the state parks exist is to provide recreational access to the public, to public lands. I feel that core idea is being lost in this discussion and at the state parks department as a whole. Thank you for your time. Morgan Johnson.
First Name | Jimmy
Last Name | Shelly
Email | Shelly1547@outlook.com
Public Comment | Please keep the beach open for driving on. If has been a family tradition starting back when my dad was a dory fisherman.

Submission ID: c4770687-9afa-4d21-8386-89d8cd209c75

Record ID: 353
I would like the beaches to stay open for driving. In Pacific City we probably wouldn’t bother coming there anymore because the parking would be so bad. We have been there a couple times this year when it hasn’t been crowded because of Covid and the parking isn’t that great so I can imagine how bad it would be during normal times. It’s so nice when you have children that you can have everything with you in your car for a day on the beach.
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Public Comment
I have lived in Oregon for 21 years, raised two kids here. We've been frequenting the beach in front of Pelican Pub since then, 99', before many knew about it. We've seen it grow and change. I support limiting the access for cars on that beach, but not totally eliminating them. Maybe a limited number of passes specifically for there? There are surfers that frequent that beach and have been since I started going. They and others with various interests should have the ability to drive and most importantly park there. They have been stewards and part of the culture there for several decades. Additionally, the $10 fee for parking is too high. From 0 to 10 is too much, and I see it as a money grab opportunity. There are families and individuals that use our outdoor spaces as their only entertainment, as it is "free". Where would these people park to use the beach there? Unless you can share what specifically is going to happen with those funds, I don't support that fee. There is a wide open parking lot and bathrooms, garbage not a lot else to maintain there. Thank you, Paul Janssen

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<td>Why is anyone allowed to drive on the beach at all? This allowance makes no sense and it hurts the beach. This is so stupid.</td>
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Submission ID: 5ecc4add-6d5d-4223-a9ce-f441745dfdb3

Record ID: 356
I am opposed to this rule change in its entirety. Oregon state highway department is in charge of the dunes and should remain under their jurisdiction. People come from all over America to enjoy the experience of driving on the sand. Not having enough personnel to oversee sand driving yet you want to charge us $10 for the privilege? That will take personnel to collect the fee, someone to go around to check to see you’ve paid the fee and a person to chase down the offenders. It’s another attempt to profit from a right given us by Governor Tom McCall in 1967. You are taking away yet another “right”. There is no link between the COVID and being inside your vehicle with your family. This is another poorly thought out attempt to take away a right and collect a $10 fee.
I am in favor of this proposal to restrict vehicles on the beach to those launching boats or retrieving them from the water. I live in Washington and we access the beautiful beaches of Oregon on a regular basis and feel that this would be an excellent safety measure. There are more and more people on the beaches of the entire west coast every year and it is getting difficult to separate the people and the vehicles down on the beaches. It is hard to see children who are quick moving and small and they are in danger of being hit by one of these beach drivers. Driving on the beach isn't great for the beach, creating ridges and leaving tracks on all over the beach marring it's beauty and the more things that can be hauled on to the beach in your vehicle the more things you will leave behind. I wish this was a proposal for the entire coast of Oregon AND Washington, it's a much needed change.
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Record ID: 359
As if the churning of the waters weren't causing enough erosion at our beaches, the OPRD is further eroding our ability to use this area in order to improve the beach experience? If safety is the concern, how many people have been injured due to driving on these beaches in the past 20 years? You might want to focus on road safety if that is the true reason for the restriction. Haven't we been restricted enough with coronavirus? Are the sand dunes between Florence and Coos Bay next? Let's not get carried away. Find something else to work on to justify your salaries.
First Name | Jim  
---|---  
Last Name | Kerr  
Email | Godfatherslim@yahoo.com  
Public Comment | This is crazy I've been surfing and going to Pacific City my whole life and you want to ban it and charge that means all the side streets will be pets leg with cars all the people are going to get pissed off this is insane keep the beach and park alone  

Submission ID: eb321964-1f10-489b-a378-1322e230e46d  
Record ID: 361
I oppose the proposed rule prohibiting beach access to vehicles near Pacific City. First, there is limited vehicle beach access along the Oregon Coast which provides ample pedestrian areas for those who do not want to share a beach area with vehicles. Given the wide variety of pedestrian areas, it seems patently unfair to further restrict beach access to vehicle in Pacific City when pedestrians can simply go to many other areas. Second, the parking in Pacific City is extremely limited as is and this rule will make access to the beach for many prohibitive. Third, any justification that cites vehicle/pedestrian safety should be disregarded. Accidents can, do, and will continue to happen along the Oregon Coast. When people go to the coast, they assume the risk. For those who do not want to assume the risk, there are ample beaches that are vehicle free. There has already been sufficient erosion to outdoor recreational areas in Oregon and the balance has already tipped in favor of pedestrian only access. There is no need to eliminate one of the few areas where vehicle access is allowed.
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Public Comment

I believe prohibiting vehicles from the beach at the Pacific City launch will create a significant constraint on parking in the area. When the boat launch parking is full on weekends and busy times, the beach is the best place to park for capable vehicles. It allows one to enjoy the public beach area, as well as create additional capacity for visitors to Pelican and other eateries and shops in the area. Prohibiting parking will discourage visitors or force people into the surrounding neighborhoods to park. Restricting vehicles in other areas does not seem problematic to me, only at the Pacific City launch where it functions as parking overflow for all visitors.

Submission ID: 10c6802d-12e7-4a58-b50e-f10a6be34af8

Record ID: 363
First Name | Roger  
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Last Name | Bly  
Email | papably@yahoo.com  
Public Comment | I am handicapped and unable to walk the distance to the beach from the parking lots. I would not be able to enjoy the beach as I do now. I think this is a ploy from the owners of the big new hotel/motel to limit beach access to the general public to enhance their own properties. This is wrong in so many ways, don't let this happen. Roger Bly  
Submission ID: 9d6d3d7f-4847-4dfb-aabd-a5a9e4dfacb0  
Record ID: 364
**Public Comment**

I object to this change. Although I don’t drive the beach often, it is always a fantastic experience and allows for a more robust beach experience, picnic and exploration included. Putting this ban in place will be the start of a stake being driven into Oregon’s current Beach access, as it will restrict enjoyment of many beach areas to only those that live adjacent to it, due to accessibility. Although I support the beach parking fee which supports the maintenance of the parking lots, public restrooms and other improvements, this proposed beach access restriction is not called for. We all have had experiences with "less than thoughtful" drivers both on the beach and off, don’t let the actions of a few penalize everyone that visits the beach.

**Submission ID:** 05869280-b532-47dd-a93a-540ca02c4957

**Record ID:** 365
Hello, I support this ban on driving on the beach. Beaches are part of the natural beauty of our state and country and as such need to be protected. It will also make the beaches safer for adults and children. I'm very happy to see this proposal and hope it passes. Pacific City is my favorite place to go on the coast and I visit multiple times per year. Sincerely, William Sinton Portland, OR
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<td>I agree with the proposed changes. The existing rules are confusing to know when and where you can drive. Please make it easy and I really prefer to ban it altogether; protect those little endangered birds; promote safety and pleasant walking for those on the beach. But I agree that dory launching is one of the few acceptable reasons to have cars on the beach, but there is no need for them to drive up and down the beach for this purpose. I think it works quite well at Pacific City. It would be great if would otherwise ban cars near Cape Kiwanda.</td>
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Pacific City does not have the infrastructure to support the levels of tourism seen during the summer months without allowing parking on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. The limited parking in lots leads parking to vastly overflow on to the nearby streets and roads. The only public parking lot and limited street parking is taken over by all day beach goers and leaves nothing for the nearby businesses and restaurants. The overflow parking that runs up Cape Kiwanda Dr from the Cape to Tierra Del Mar is far more dangerous and intrusive than driving on the beach. People blindly step out into the road with cars going by while unloading their beach gear, and driveways are blocked for homeowners. Options to overcome these problems could include off road vehicle permits for beach access, parking enforcement and time limits on street parking.
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Public Comment

These areas are some of the very few where I can take my disabled son and elderly parents out to the beach to enjoy many day of sun and surf. Sure you have a very few disabled spots for parking but none of my family can make it down to the waters edge to enjoy the feel of water in their feet. My first wife had breast cancer it became bone cancer over time, my wife and friends came down to these areas you propose closing nearly every weekend while my wife became more and more ill. It was the only place we could take her out set up a shelter and enjoy the beach. It is the most Scenic of all the drive out beaches on the coast. Access to wind sailing fishing and many other activities are reduced to those who are still Mobile but not as energetic as they once were. We always collect all of our trash and any that we find these beaches are always the cleanest we find particularly the beach north of pacific city and the large dune. The vast majority of other drivers drive slowly and safely on the beach in all my years of going to all of these locations I have not personally seen any close calls even when the beach is loaded with cars and people on busy summer days. We all have families we all want to preserve these great locations where all can access the beach even our elderly and infirm. We also bring tools to help others who may get stuck on the beach we have helped several people get out of the soft sand and back to safety. I am sure you could talk to 4x4 clubs in the area to not only patrol these resources but to assist with education of visitors. Cleaning up after thoughtless guest both walk in and drive in. They can set the example of careful driving and help those who need it getting them out of the soft sand or up the ramp. Keep the drive on the beach access. It is the main reason we come to pacific city and support the business owners in the area renting homes, buying pizza and burgers. Replacing kites and beach toys. Eating at restaurants. The parking is not even close to sufficient in the summer at pacific city. The beach opens up more space for all who want to come. This last summer we had to go all the way north to Astoria and patronize their businesses because all of pacific city was blocked off or closed. This was during the time when social distancing and masks were recommended but no travel was restricted. The north beaches were reopened at the time but pacific city was closed to only park in the main beach parking. Totally packed not one more car could get in people were lining the highway in dangerous location to get to the beach. Opening the beaches would have provided the social distancing we all needed and improved every visitors mental health at a time we all needed a break from four walls. The virus will be gone the restrictions lifted staff can return and the community is willing to pitch in and help keep the beaches open to drive in visitors.

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**Public Comment**

I support banning cars from the beach at Pacific City. I realize that parking is a big problem in the small town of Pacific city and tourism is a big component of the economy. However, vehicles on the beach is the sole reason we stopped visiting Pacific city. The party atmosphere, barbecue smoke, litter, music blaring, ruined the special Oregon coast experience. We love Pacific city but parking on the beach is not a solution for inadequate Parking. Further, the continual issue of people getting stuck entering and exiting the beach via the ramp is nothing more than a calamity and definitely dangerous to pedestrians. I hope the parks commission decides to do the right thing and close parking on the beaches in Oregon were deemed appropriate for the common good. Dennis Oliphant Bend Oregon

**Submission ID:** 906fe693-1670-4e05-81e3-d449207f0531

**Record ID:** 371
First Name | Christa
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Last Name | Kaainoa
Email | ckaainoa@gmail.com
Public Comment | My family loves Pacific City, but in recent years we've chosen to vacation elsewhere; the crazy scene of masses of cars and pedestrians feels totally unsafe. Our family fully supports restricting driving access on the beach in this area, and if it happens, we'll be back with our lodging rental, restaurant, and recreation dollars!

Submission ID: 6ac78000-92f0-40f3-8a7d-a9344a540806

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As a recreational user of these beach areas I believe it is essential to safety to limit beach driving to only what is necessary to launch or retrieve boats. It amazes me that no one has been run over or injured by drivers mixing with beach users, not to mention the noise and pollution produced. Please keep motorized use only in the designated OHV areas!
I fully support this limited restriction on beach driving and believe it should be expanded to the entire beach. It should be a priority to protect wildlife on these public beaches. It’s a shame that any part of the beach will remain open to vehicles.
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com  
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<td>Public Comment</td>
<td>Cars should NOT be allowed on the beach in Oregon. Protect our beaches, keep cars in parking lots. Thank you for protecting our amazing, one of a kind beaches and coast. 3rd Generation Oregonian, Jenni</td>
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| Public Comment | In my opinion the beach at Cape Kiwanda is much, much safer with NO cars on the beach except as permitted in the proposal. The beach will be safer, cleaner and more beautiful. It will remain calm for the enjoyment of all. I vote yes to the new proposal for restricted car traffic on the beaches in South Tillamook County. Thank you for addressing this critical issue. Linda Sheppard |

Submission ID: de983435-7376-4b7c-a62f-0cab5c6ebc78

Record ID: 375
First Name: Michael
Last Name: Hanna
Email: m.w.hanna@comcast.net

Public Comment: We support the proposed rules. Especially the ban on driving between mouth of Sand Lake and beach entrance at north end of Tierra Del Mar. we believe this area must be preserved as a walking area only. This area now includes a rare bird sanctuary, walking entrances to the beautiful Sitka Sedge Park and a residential neighborhood where tourists and residents walk and play on the beach. At high tides there is not enough room for cars and people sitting on the beach. We highly recommend a ban on beach driving after sunset in the area north of Tierra Del Mar entrance. We see cars racing, driving erratically and getting stuck in the sand on a nightly basis. It’s impossible to walk on this beach at night due to speeding vehicles. We recommend clear, convinces signage at beach entrance warning of speed limit and SOFT SAND. We see cars stuck every day during summer creating hazards at the beach entrance area. Thanks you so. Ugh for considering our thoughts.

Submission ID: e5e247a5-eabc-46fa-8937-dfdd46ea6d40

Record ID: 376
First Name | Norman  
---|---
Last Name | Penn  
Email | n.penn@comcast.net  
Public Comment | One hundred percent support No driving on Cape Kiwanda Beach. The beach experience should not include the risk of getting run over. We spend a couple of months at this beach each year. Two years ago my wife got bumped rather hard by a big pickup truck mirror. Fortunately a quick move by us prevented a serious problem. Not what the beach experience is all about. Want to dive in the sand? Sand lake just up the road. The summation of our observations. Driving on the beach benefits do not in anyway make the beach experience better for anyone. Bonus, a significant drop in garbage, and oil on the beach this year. I mean a massive positive difference. Thank you for recognizing the need to eliminate driving on this beautiful beach. Norman Penn  
Submission ID: c95da9f0-5440-4472-97b8-a5c5dd899ee9  
Record ID: 377
First Name | clay
Last Name | thomas
Email | kittycars1957@gmail.com
Public Comment | I AM HANDICAP AND MY WIFE IS TO THE ONLY WAY WE GET TO THE BEACH IS IN OUR CAR. PLEASE YOU ARE TAKING OUR RIGHTS AWAY. WE CAN ONLY GET THERE IN OUR CAR PLEASE DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN. WE LOVE THIS BEACH. VOTE NO NO NO. THX. CLAY THOMAS

Submission ID: b58964f5-ea8a-40ec-b5a4-e14a6f755d79
Record ID: 378
First Name | Laura  
---|---  
Last Name | Leighton  
Email | LAURA@PAULBLEIGHTON.COM  
Public Comment | I am writing in support of the new proposed laws limiting driving on the beach. Cars are very disruptive to shorebirds and other wildlife. In addition not properly maintained cars will pollute the beach sands and then erode into the water. Cars degrade the overall beach experience for humans too. Thank you for this proposal.

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<td>Public Comment</td>
<td>Please restrict ALL driving on all beaches under your jurisdiction. I'll be happy to buy a parking pass if it means no more huge trucks doing donuts on the beach, revving their engine and disturbing all of the other visitors and wildlife. Thank you!</td>
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Record ID: 379
First Name | Matt  
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| Last Name | Glidden  
| Email | 007@glidden.me 

Public Comment | I am in favor of restricting driving in South Tillamook County and beyond. As a beachgoer, I feel safer without cars driving on the beach. I can enjoy the natural beauty of the Coast more thoroughly without cars driving on the beach. And I think plants and animals have a better chance to thrive without cars and the pollution they bring. Thank you for considering this new rule.

Submission ID: 962307ac-9824-4ce7-9a81-c7202cd6122d

Record ID: 381
First Name: Craig
Last Name: Soper
Email: craig.soper1910@gmail.com
Public Comment: I am writing to register my support for the proposed driving restrictions on the beach from Tierra del Mar north to the mouth of Sand Lake. This is a particularly beautiful and walkable section of beach and should be restricted to pedestrian use only. The noise of the vehicles and potential danger do not mix well with pedestrians. Thank you.

Submission ID: 01098d56-1cba-40dc-b2e6-61268881b7fa
Record ID: 382
I completely agree with the move to restrict driving on this portion of the beach, even if it means charging for parking. That is a very busy area, with many pedestrians and kids. I would gladly pay for parking and still go to businesses in the area. The vehicles on the beach take away from the beauty and peace of the beach, and don't seem to offer anything for the drivers besides not having to carry their things a few yards.
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**Public Comment**  
I am totally in favor of restricting beach driving to the south of Cape Kiwanda. The traditional use of the beach by fishermen should be the only exception as proposed. I have a home in Pacific City and spend a lot of time on the beach south of Cape Kiwanda. I feel it is dangerous to have so many cars on the beach. There are children playing in the sand, running and making sand castles. It is dangerous to mix driving with such innocent play. It would be a much more pleasant and safe experience without the cars on the beach. Keeping the beach free of cars north of Tierra Del Mar is also a good idea. Thank you for considering my thoughts.

**Submission ID:** 28ceaa6e-c6d3-4422-98d1-03f83e27b37c  
**Record ID:** 384
First Name | Frank  
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Last Name | Savage  
Email | fra_sav@sbcglobal.net  
Public Comment | I am against the proposed ban on beach driving and against charging money to park. Scrap both ideas.  

Submission ID: 48211488-12e0-4a25-916a-efed20b49573  
Record ID: 385
Cynthia Carrell
ccarrell@gmail.com

I support the proposed rules. Being a frequent visitor to Pacific City, I have repeatedly witnessed dangerous situations with people parking on the beach. I have witnessed near misses of cars hitting children and dogs. I have seen cars that are not appropriate for beach driving get stuck then tie up scarce rescue resources to help them. I have seen intoxicated drivers on the beach. The list goes on. I am less supportive of the beach parking fee as I see such a variety of families come visit the beach as a day trip. As a local visitor, we love to make a quick trip to the cape at low tide. A $10 fee would be prohibitive. I am hoping that plan would include the ability to buy an annual pass for local visitors and maybe a slightly lower fee for day passes ($5). I am more concerned about the price point than having a fee - I do believe a fee is appropriate to support safety measures, site improvements and trash/recycling work.

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**Record ID:** 387
First Name | Randall  
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Last Name | Freeman  
Email | Locoporcristo116@gmail.com  
Public Comment | Please don’t do that. It really wouldn’t benefit anyone, would just make going to the beach for any sort of activities a hassle and honestly probably slow business down a ton or anger residents.  
Submission ID: 7919d4fb-25f1-45b0-86a8-a8d30b95c9ce  
Record ID: 389
**First Name** | Bryant  
---|---  
**Last Name** | Ashton  
**Email** | bryant_cashton@hotmail.com  
**Public Comment** | This is a massive jump. To go from free parking and vehicle beach access to a ban on beach driving and a ten $ parking fee? As someone who goes to the beach often and spends my money at local businesses I would take my money to a different county where I don’t need to pay the parking fee. If you do what you can to keep people away from your county (fees and limited access) you should expect your money from inland counties to drop exponentially.

**Submission ID:** d8e2f6b6-9168-460f-af57-1dbe2349c403  
**Record ID:** 390
First Name | Jason  
---|---  
Last Name | Lind  
Email | jasonlind440@gmail.com  
Public Comment | Personally I think to restrict beach access to those that can walk readily is just plain wrong. Many people who are handicapped use these beach access points to get to the ocean etc. Being able to drive down there is what makes them able to get there.

Submission ID: d82ca269-b919-4ef9-a1b3-9e428f399b63  
Record ID: 391
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Record ID: 388
First Name | Alex  
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Last Name | Sheppard  
Email | bigshep1@hotmail.com  
Public Comment | Fantastic idea. We don't feel safe having our young daughter on the beach with cars and inattentive drivers.

Submission ID: fbc8883-9384-4b6e-854f-e764912cc70a

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From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
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<td>I was under the impression that beaches here in Oregon are ours. Our tax money goes toward them. What right does anyone group have to say weather we can or can not drive on them. What about the aging and the disable? Do we not count . Please don’t say there are other beaches , this might be the beach that some disabled person loves to go out on and you want to take that away . I am totally against it all together .</td>
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Record ID: 393
**First Name** | Alice  
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**Last Name** | Chaloux  
**Email** | Ahchalouxcpa@yahoo.com  
**Public Comment** | Please, please, please do NOT close the beaches in any way, shape, or form. Please do not take away the pleasure of being able to drive on our beaches. Yes, it is difficult to patrol, yes, there are people who's behavior make it dangerous for others. But the logic is flawed! Are you going to close all streets and highways, to eliminate car accidents, and reckless driving? Life is imperfect! Life has risks! Life is messy! But it is still worth living to the fullest!  

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MARSHALL Janelle * OPRD

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Record ID: 396
**First Name** | Manon  
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**Last Name** | Veilleux  
**Email** | knobler50@gmail.com  
**Public Comment** | I SUPPORT the beach parking ban. As a frequent public beach user and wildlife advocate I believe beaches should be closed to automotive use.

**Submission ID:** 4810a3a0-1983-4eaf-a148-14afade2fc27  
**Record ID:** 397
Hi. I would like to see the birth certificate of who's idea this was? As a Natural Resources Student, me & my OSU Alums grew up surfing PC during college, before Californication began taking hold of PC & Oregon Coast. Back when Oregon was still wild. Closing this section is a horrible idea & 1st step towards privatizing PC & the Oregon Coast, favoring invasive species Californication. Me & my Oregon College Chums have always tailgated while surfing PC. Surfing Culture & the 4x4 @ Pacific City is just about as Oregon as surfing gets. Pacific City beach tailgating is described by many "native born Oregonians" as the epicenter of Oregon Surfing. PC is a breeding ground for Native Oregonians, OSU, UO, Oregon Colleges, HS, Public, Surfers, Fisherpersons, Environmentalists, Tree Huggers & Hippys, etc... These days, I can't find affordable Motels & Hotels & can barely find a parking space north of Florence that doesn't involve Law Enforcement harassing me every night. Parking on the beach is a Surf & Wildlife Culture event. If you don't approve of vehicles on the beach I suggest, I don't approve of all your shitty Mormon cookie cutter mini/strip malls plaguing the Oregon Coast. You should ban Mormon cookie cutter mini/strip malls 100 years before U ban driving on the beach... ...& your banning parking on the beach, family time, family BBQ's & bonfires. Your banning poor, large families, born in Oregon that can't afford accommodations due to all the feet they have to shoe. During times of disaster, plague & Pandemic, the beach has always been a haven for refugee's. At the very least, Oregon's youth need those stretches of beach for their mental health & growth for Oregon's future. I would like to see the birth certificate of whatever idiot thought this was a good idea. Sincerely, Keiko PacificPlatapus's Association, orst.edu

12/11/2020
First Name | Jonette  
---|---
Last Name | Swanson  
Email | jonettenichole@gmail.com  
Public Comment | Our Oregon beaches are so special and there is no reason we need to be driving on them. The last thing I want to have to think about while taking a stroll on the beach is looking out for automotive traffic. Besides my personal dislike of seeing vehicles on the beach I also imagine the environmental impact is not a small one.

Submission ID: 1c41204b-6247-4ad5-abab-ec6358a72f27

Record ID: 399
Our family would be very saddened to lose this access. We very much enjoy having the ability to drive down and recreate without parking hassles and having to walk so far to be away from the masses of people who congregate near the entrances. Please keep beach access open to vehicles so we all can enjoy this beach. Thank you, Mike
We will never return to Pacific City if you stop letting us drive on the beach. For one my Mother is disabled and the only way for her to enjoy the beach is to take her out on it in a vehicle. Sand lake and the dunes are too noisy for her. We also will never return to support your community if your start screwing people out of $10.00 to park anywhere in your town. Even if you keep the beach open. Not all people have a vehicle they can drive on the beach. People are out of work from Covid and suffering and you want to rip them off and remove more basic rights. You people are sick..... I'm not sure who is in charge of this stupidly, but your going to kill your own town and destroy your economy. Bunch of idiots trying to ruin a beautiful city. You all should be Ashamed and embarrassed of yourselves.
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First Name | Karen
Last Name  | Langshaw
Email      | pitbullgrama@gmail.com
Public Comment | I don't understand why this was ever allowed. Why would anyone think it is okay to park on a beach. Park in a lot. They are ruining the beach! How can others enjoy a beach or walk on a beach with vehicles on it. They should have respect and pay a small fee for a parking area.

Submission ID: 2531bfd1-8db8-48b5-ac10-e87465377b2d
Record ID: 402
First Name | Jeff  
Last Name  | Svela  
Email      | cjsvela@msn.com  

Public Comment: I am against this proposal. There are not very many places at all any more that people can drive on the beach. It doesn’t hurt anything and gives people that do it great enjoyment. People need these opportunities to fulfill enjoyment with family and friends away from work and the daily grind life gives us. It is not right or ethical to take these opportunities away from us.

Submission ID: 50f8d31d-6631-4955-a92f-9fc97ac0b84f  
Record ID: 403
Hello, This area of the coast is one of the reasons why my wife and I vacationed, and shortly thereafter, moved to Oregon in 1998. The countless times we have visited with friends and family in the years following, we have really appreciated being able to drive on the beach and get as close as we can to the ocean and nature. This is especially beneficial for my wife who is disabled with MS. We can get on the beach, get her into a beach chair and enjoy the day because there IS beach access. Taking that (drivable beach access) away would be a disservice to all disabled persons that already have a tough enough time finding and enjoying recreation activities outdoors. Please reconsider this action. The Willson Travis & Sheila
As more cars, vans, and r.v.'s are permitted to park on the beach. I wonder about the probability of 1) accidents between vehicles or 2) accidental death of a human by any sort of vehicle? But then, I wonder, who is responsible for the medical bills or death of a human on the beach? The County? The city? At which point, public safety is jeopardized by tourism convenience, at least, tested severely with financial consequences for the County. The chance is not worth taking. Also, both drinking and marijuana abuse increase the odds of accidental deaths. Will the police monitor these infractions? Again, who pays from what budget to pick up the tab? I am entirely against any traffic on the beach. Sincerely, Paul Ferris At 5375 Norwester Rd., Oceanside. OR. 97134 P.s. if you can answer the above questions with data, I would appreciate answers to my questions.
I am writing in opposition to the proposal to ban beach driving in south Tillamook County. The two sections in question represent widely enjoyed beaches and water access it provides for many Oregonians and out-of-state visitors. If additional signs are needed for safety or to better inform access and use, please do that. Do not overreact by closing access altogether.
I am all in favor of these restrictions. There are plenty of other places for people to drive in the sand. People already pollute the beaches too much and vehicles leave behind contaminants. I don't think that parking is really the issue but maybe the cities, county, and state could come together to provide another parking area.
First Name | Joshua  
---|---  
Last Name | McKinney  
Email | Joshmck92@gmail.com  
Public Comment | I prefer coming to Pacific City because of the free parking and ability to drive on the beach. If this proposal is enacted, I will likely go to the beach elsewhere. If the intent of this proposal is to reduce the number of visitors to the community, I can respect that.

Submission ID: 327100ac-8acd-476f-be08-4a5a05f8db5c  
Record ID: 408
My letter to my Oregon rep’s Hello, My name is Paul J. Snodgrass - I live at 10130 SW old orchard lane in West slope. My family and I have been a long time users of the Cape Kiwanda beach area in Pacific City (over 25 years). As you may be aware, they have closed the beach access to all except the "dory" fishing boats, trucks, and trailers. This closure was originally done due to Covid and the lack of funding the state parks were / are facing. This has now morphed into the complete closure except for one special interest group. They say it’s to prevent accidents between motor vehicles and people although so far there have been none. The only collisions have been with boats and people in and around the water there, last one cost the state over 4 million then an uninsured "dory" driver ran over Cole Ortega. nothing has been done since that accident and I have seen many close calls these since. I'm sure then next one will be substantially more as nothing to prevent it again has happened. although this action did a major accident on the road there as well as blocked access to rescuers that may have cost a fisherman his life off the south end of the haystack rock there. Even after the Tillamook commissioners held a town meeting which I spoke at with many others, and they did a survey of hundreds of people overwhelm in support of keeping the beach open (including the local living people). This seems to be guided by one individual on the commission steering the others to make this move. So now they want to start charging to park there,, ok first you need somewhere to park, then how to safely get all the people to the beach... remember there’s been one major accident on the road there due to the parking restrictions on the beach last summer,,,, this next is projected to be 5 time more due to Covid relaxed rules... so..... The bottom line is we need to stop this from passing... It will make matters there MUCH WORSE... check the surveys and testimony given already... if anything should be restricted it's the speed boats running over people there.... Nowhere else can a boat go faster than 5mph within 100 ft. of swimmers.... it's crazy there with the boats... I shot the pictures of Cole being run over by the boat... PLEASE HELP!!!! if there is anyone you can also direct me to, that's great too. this needs real planning! Also before removing hundreds of parking spaces, more must be provided prior.
First Name | Jim  
Last Name  | Hauge  
Email      | jimrhauge@hotmail.com  
Public Comment | I highly recommend and fully support the vehicle ban on the beaches proposed. It is very disruptive and even unsafe to be walking on the beach and have vehicles drive by. Thank you, Jim  

Submission ID: cf46a3ad-1c0a-4071-8049-9141fa10a2de  
Record ID: 410
First Name: Juan
Last Name: Castro
Email: escobar_sck@Yahoo.com

Public Comment: has it really come to this??? if you take away the driving on the beach it will turn that small little tourist town into a ghost town, what is the bigger picture in this ? is it the money?? are you guys trying to get the most out of this with charging people 10 bucks to park... or maybe is it you wana test the waters and see how people react to charging to park on the beach?? either way what you guys are doing is bullshit.. this is oregon not cali so lets keep it oregon and start restoring some faith we once had with the people running this show

Submission ID: 1942a2ef-3dc3-49d0-b822-49a534ec066c
Record ID: 412
**First Name** | PAUL  
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**Last Name** | HORTON  
**Email** | PHORTON1966@GMAIL.COM  
**Public Comment** | Please don't restrict vehicles please. Please don't make your decision on the bad 5%. Oregon beaches was how the earlier coast residents populated the coast before 101 was put in. Please let us Oregonians history prevail and not erased by what is popular at this time. This will only allow influential investors to privatize our beaches and once this is done there is no reversing it. Thank you.

**Submission ID:** fb85edae-0d85-4fe9-92cb-02462f53194f  
**Record ID:** 411
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
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<td>Public Comment</td>
<td>Why? Safety? If you enforce the laws now on the books it is safe. Control? Why do you need more control? Money gab? You are also purposive parking and park use fees. No to your change not allowing vehicles on the beach.</td>
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Record ID: 413
First Name | Evan  
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Last Name | Jones  
Email | Evanjones@comcast.net  
Public Comment | This is long overdue. Our beaches need to be kept free of pollution from oil leaks from autos, as well as the noise vehicles cause. Our beaches should be for foot traffic/walking only for the enjoyment of all in a peaceful environment.

Submission ID: 654dc723-5c2e-42f5-b134-68f56b63f458  
Record ID: 414
**Public Comment**

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Pleas do NOT close the beaches to cars! That has always been such a special place because of its accessibility. Don’t ruin it!!! Also isn’t the $10 parking fee rather excessive? I thought all the other state park day use areas charge $5.

Submission ID: b4a4240f-72e0-4ca0-b93f-4d726e9a6257

Record ID: 415
The closing of the beach along with the signs not allowing people to park in the wide flat area of the road was a complete dangerous fiasco done by the state and county. As a long time family owner of a house in the area people were then parking in the area not marked in the dangerous narrow part of the road north blocking roads, stopping in the middle of the road and parking down residential driveways. We were not even able to drive our boat with trailer into our road to the house as people we parked in the road. If the beach is closed to parking then something drastic needs to change on where people can park or the Tillamook county parks needs to be leveled and turned into a parking lot. The state and county should be held liable for the dangerous and even worse parking it caused and will cause if this becomes long term or the state needs and county need to increase parking in other areas right at the area.
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<td>We will all benefit from the improved safety and better beach experience that will come with prohibiting cars and trucks from driving on the beach. I strongly support this proposed change.</td>
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<th>I have had the honor of enjoying this beach since I was a small child. I have many, many fond memories with friends and family here and it would be so disheartening not to be able to enjoy this place anymore. I’d honestly even be willing to pay a permit fee or something like that to have access rather than the option to go there being taken away completely. I ask that you please reconsider. The beach is a place that is meant to be enjoyed by all and holds such a special place in my heart as I’m sure it does for many others.</th>
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**Record ID:** 418
First Name | Jared  
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Last Name | Jess  
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Email | Brotherjarded@gmail.com  
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Public Comment | Every time I go out with my boys, 5 and 7, we learn about respect. And part of that is doing our part to clean up garbage. Yes people that drive on the sand leave garbage, but we have cleaned up more garbage from people walking. We love the experience, out on that sand. My boys love it, and ask frequently when we can go drive on the beach again. We make a trip a month, when the weather is nice and permitting. Please do not restrict driving, it is a learning trip every time we go out.  
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<td>Sounds to me like another way of taking beach access away from handicapped people that have trouble walking like me. Or is it just a way to let the rich landowners there to keep the beach to themselves?</td>
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Record ID: 420
First Name: Lori-ann
Last Name: Kellett
Email: lulabellek@msn.com

Please DO NOT approve this proposal! This is an example of taking a temporary measure due to COVID and making it permanent without thinking about who and how this will impact local and out-of-state visitors! This area has steep hills of sand to walk up/down - hauling coolers and beach gear is a challenge for many; the public bathroom is at the top near the rear corner of the parking area by the Pelican Pub. When you are young fit, it isn’t as much of a big deal - but when you are getting older, being able to drive and park on the beach makes it accessible and much easier to make it up the hill and across the parking lot to the bathrooms! Not to mention that the area is severely lacking of parking areas - in the summer, the beach is full of cars, parking lots are full, and people have to park half mile away on the road! This presents more of a danger having so much foot traffic on a narrow 2-lane road when there is a line of traffic competing with the pedestrians. If this passes, it will cut off beach access to a large number of people, including me. It will deter the tourism the local businesses depend on as well...when there isn’t enough areas to park, people will stop going there! I’ve taken my mom here exactly because its one of the only areas she can access the beach since I can just drive through the sand and park - there is no way she would be able to walk through all that soft, hilly sand. The area about 2 miles North of Pacific City/Cape Kiwanda should certainly be excluded from this proposal! Due to the increased traffic as the result of The Headlands opening, that area is a great alternative to get out of the bulk of the traffic. It is more flat and no hotels or businesses that are impacted in the immediate area. This also makes it ideal for people that have limited mobility, being able to drive and park on the beach that would otherwise not be able to enjoy the sand and putting their feet in the water. Again, I have taken my mother there many times for this reason. Until there is more adequate parking in the entire area to handle the immense traffic of visitors and until there are more walkways and solutions for those with mobility issues along with wheelchair access, then this proposal should NOT be passed! I also think the parking and day-use fees should only be in place during the summer tourist season - Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. That is when the bulk of out of state tourists come. Before and after those summer weekends, it is mostly local Oregonians visiting the area. I know that is my favorite time to go...not having to deal with the hoards of tourists around. If this proposal is passed, it will effectively end my tradition, through almost 25 years living in Oregon, of going to the Cape Kiwanda/Pacific City area - my favorite area on the Oregon coast will become inaccessible. I simply will not be able to manage it and I will not be able to bring my mother.
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Public Comment: I approach this with "what problem are we trying to solve" - I have not read a solid argument on why this should be changed. Many enjoy the recreation that this area has to offer and it is considered a go to for many boaters and jet ski fanatics - placing it on the map for its recreation activities. Businesses in the area will be impacted. I encourage you to consider the problem you're solving with any potential change.

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<td>Our family really loves being able to drive up in the beach. They have been able to do it very safely.</td>
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To who it may concern,

Please don’t continue to step on citizens liberties for the desire to have yet another safe space. If the concern is cost associated with patrolling or clean up you are being short sided and underestimate the power of community and civil debate to resolve issues. Saving a few cars from driving on the beach is going to save what exactly? You should have lobbied harder in DC to keep the government from handing out drilling rights in the Arctic of Alaska to companies who will, yet again, ruin the environment and leave without any repercussions. Ever heard of Valdez?.. This is coming from an Eagle Scout, OR native, engineer, and registered Democrat who loves the outdoors and leaving it better then we (Humans) found it so don’t think me not a support of sustainability. What next?! Are we going to start requiring permits just to camp on state owned lands like CA does? And by “state owned” I mean the citizens who pay taxes not politicians and apparently local ‘leaders’ who auction off our lands so lumber companies can strip them as fast as possible and insufficiently replant based on minimum requirements defined by unions and corrupt lobbyist. Don’t say “our forests are managed well” either cause I can’t remember the last time the land anywhere in OR wasn’t fully clear cut to make profit. Go see it yourself if you doubt me. If this isn’t the case then I suggest leave the meeting open to the public and not require registration so you can hear what the citizens paying your mortgages actually have to say about your new safe space plan. Don’t use technology as an excuse to silence people or pretend it’s a way to keep the peace. I’m typically sorry for being blunt in this fashion but not this time because enough is enough. P.S. Be angry if you want. It shows your ignorance for the big picture. -just some dude

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