Rulemaking OAR
736-024-0015
Public comments received
December 14, 2020 through
December 17, 2020
From: GAUTHIER Katie * OPRD
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2020 8:16 AM
To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD
Cc: Joseph E. Holloway, Sr. CLU
Subject: FW: Proposal to restrict beach driving in South Tillamook County...Cape Kiwanda both North and South of the Cape...
Attachments: Cape Kiawanda vehicle closure comment.pdf

Mr. Holloway,

No problem, I am forwarding your comments to our public comment folder. Thank you for sharing your concerns.

Katie

From: Joseph E. Holloway, Sr. CLU <joseph5360@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, December 12, 2020 4:26 PM
To: GAUTHIER Katie * OPRD <Katie.Gauthier@oregon.gov>
Subject: Proposal to restrict beach driving in South Tillamook County...Cape Kiwanda both North and South of the Cape...

Katie,

I could not find a link to place public comment so with my apologies I’m sending/attaching them along to you for inclusion in the appropriate testimony area. Please reply if I should do something more.

Thanks,

Joe

Joseph E. Holloway, Sr.    CLU
5680 NW Pondosa Drive
Portland, Oregon   97229-1022
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Thank you for taking the time to read of my thoughts.

Picture, if you will, a scene on the beautiful beach nestled between Cascade Head and Cape Kiwanda. There are hundreds of families young and old settled into groups with little ones racing back and forth to the surf, squealing in delight and jumping into the castle walls they created with bucket and plastic shovels. Just next to those families you would see some teens throwing a football, practicing their cheer moves or kicking the winning goal for their favorite school team. The scene is one of relaxing adults watching over their children’s excitement and pure tranquility. From time to time a dory is being drawn to or from a launch in the designated area. I watched this picture unfold throughout this last summer countless times and marveled at just how wonderful to be able to see the beach being used by so many as it was intended.

Did I mention there wasn’t a solitary personal vehicle present? Children, adults were free to stroll, take photos and exercise in unfettered natural grandness as was always intended. Soon, as evening approaches, friends new and old begin gathering driftwood and set about staging the area where they’ll have the bonfire to roast hot dogs and marshmallows.

Now to be fair I’ve got to change the scene to events prior to the beach vehicle closure in 2020 by Tillamook County officials. Children are rarely allowed to run free or are too frightened to venture toward the surf due to the heavy trucks and SUV’s plowing indiscriminately around... often at high rates of speed kicking up rooster tails of sand. To add to the mayhem folks unaccustomed to the hazards of driving in soft sand get bogged down often blocking anyone from entering or exiting the beach until a tow can be arranged. This chaotic picture mars the enjoyment of most except the thoughtless drivers racing up and down then doing “donuts” with their engines racing...every single night Spring, Summer and Fall. Many of these drivers, as evening and night approach gather into large party groups, circling their “rigs” around a large fire and blaring their speakers to the noxious music of their liking.

This second picture isn’t pretty. During the summer Tillamook deputies are tasked with beach patrol to control the traffic and enforce driving/parking restrictions during the day...but not always at night. Virtually nightly I’ve witnessed out of control partiers with 40 plus jacked up and speeding pickups gathering in drunken and disorderly groups. Several times the sheriff was needed to be summoned with the result being the surrounding of these “gatherings” by Tillamook County Sherriff personnel where arrests and ticketing occurred.

There is a cost associated with having to monitor crowd control, vehicle activity and law enforcement and I for one am in favor of seeing vehicles eliminated for the benefit and enjoyment of so many people who simply want to be in a natural place that is Cape Kiwanda as it should be.

Thank you for your time and consideration. My family and I visit the Cape Kiwanda many times during the year...and we do not need to drive on the beach ever....that should be reserved for the Sand Lake Recreation Area.

Joe Holloway  
Resident of Washington County, Oregon
I have heard of no vehicle pedestrian accidents at Del Mar you have already taken away all of our indoor freedom leave our outdoor freedom alone
We are in favor of closing vehicular beach access at Cape Kiwanda except for dory boats and emergency vehicles.

Bob and Kay Pendleton
34785 Hill Street
Pacific City
To whom it may concern,
I'm opposes to the restrictions entirely. I've only drove on the beach a few times in that area. It's a very large area filled with bank fisherman, families picnicking and exploration.
Closing the area to vehicals would greatly reduce several miles of beach that would otherwise unaccessible to the general public.
Another reason I'm opposed to the closures is the beach is public property. The closer seems to violate citezens rights. I've read the reported reasons for closers, but had nothing about how this came to be an issue.. I believe it has to do with a few people getting stuck. Not the well arbitrated list provided. In short it's a bunch of fancy excuses to push for closers..
If the closures do happen, i believe it will greatly hurt local economy. Driving on the beach was the attraction.
Lastly closing the beach so local business can charge for parking seems like extortion to me.
I might be onboard with closers if parks and rec extended parking and trails. Or mad the area an off highway area requiring the of highway permit.
And if ODFW was concerned about birds they should be focusing on the evasive birds that live on the artificial islands in the Columbia created from the ash from Mount Saint Helens. Those bird eat millions of salmon a year.

I'm any case it would be sad to see Oregon close more areas of nature. It was sure nice to drive down the beach a few miles and picnic and fish with the kids and be pretty much alone in nature.
I would suggest every board member visit the area before making any decisions and that the reconsider closing public land..

Sincerely,
Eric Conzoner
The dory fleet (which has been designated an “Oregon Heritage tradition and has been operating for 120 years) can barely function with even the amounts of people created by allowing parking on the PUBLIC side of the beach. This last season was much calmer and cleaner on the beach without people being allowed to park on that side. By the way, until there was a cable blocking the entrance to those not using a boat, the public would cram the dory side of the beach as soon as the rangers left. Last season, the road all the way from the stoplight and even farther was so crammed with traffic trying to get to that one lot, that it was barely even moving in the afternoon. Parking on the beach at the cape NOW creates chaos, and is a danger to the tourists (who don’t read the signs) and to the rest of us as well.
Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comments on the Tillamook County ocean shore vehicle restrictions.

While I am not in favor of permitting parking on the beach at any of the access points (Cape Kiwanda, McPhillips Drive, Tierra Del Mar) with the exception of launching/retrieving boats, I recognize that the latest survey results do not favor either position strongly. Thus, the proposed rule amendments provide some sort of compromise solution.

(1) As a resident of Tierra Del Mar, I strongly support the restriction south of the Sandlake Recreation area to the north TDM access point year-round as the Tillamook County Commissioners have endorsed in their recommendation letter. It’s not only an issue of driving in proximity of Tierra Del Mar residential homes or protecting the snowy plover, but it is a public safety issue with so many families and their pets enjoying the beach.

- Please improve the signage and barriers: despite the current signs, there are still violators who cross over to the prohibited zone. Erect a barrier, e.g. pier pilings + rope next to the sign at the TDM access point and fix the sign by the snowy plover nesting area. This should be a sufficient deterrent.
- Provide residents with a number to call if they witness violators on the beach and ensure that a speedy response is made by the park ranger.
- Allow residents to submit vehicle information for violators and OPRD can send a warning notice to educate these drivers.

(2) Beach parking south of the TDM access point: if this is allowed, please consider a comprehensive solution with Tillamook County and the Sheriff Department that looks at all beach access points, as well as the residential streets adjacent to the beach. Don’t think piece-meal. With a fixed amount of access, restricting one will naturally have consequences on the others. Closing Cape Kiwanda beach access will push the overflow to the other points. On Sunday Nov 8, I saw a pick-up truck speed along the beach in front of visitors. During the summer, we saw many overnight campers. We saw excessive trash and dog feces. We saw people (with children and pets) running across Sandlake Rd which has a 45-mph speed limit. All of this could have been predicted and addressed at the onset.

- Provide flashing crosswalk signs at the TDM access point and/or speed bumps to mitigate the risk of traffic accidents and route pedestrians to a singular point of crossing.
- Reduce speed limit to 25 or 20 mph during that stretch where pedestrians will cross
- Install porta-potties, dumpsters, dog poop bag stations, etc.
o Provide people with a number to call if they witness violators on the beach and ensure that a speedy response is made by the park ranger.
o Designate where vehicles can actually drive along the beach as well as the speed limit. Currently, a vehicle can make any path they want which increases the risk to families on the beach. Dollar to doughnuts, people have no idea on how fast or where they can drive.
o Educational outreach on rules driving on the beach: make sure there are signs; provide content on relevant web sites and Facebook pages.
o For the first few weekends when summer officially starts, have OPRD and community volunteers be on-site and "walk the beach" to educate. Or make it a "fun family event".
o Create a left turn lane on Sandlake Road by the TDM access point so cars can safely enter the beach.
o Evaluate the risks of vehicles parking along the east and west sides of Sandlake Road by the TDM access point. In many respects, it creates the same type of congestion and safety issues that exist north of Cape Kiwanda on McPhillips Road (on which parking is no longer allowed). In fact, I was driving up the hill when a visitor’s dog jumped out of her car and almost in front of my car. It could have easily been a child. The shoulder is not that wide.
o As a long-term solution, consider clearing the vegetation and paving the area at the TDM access point to provide more formal parking. When it comes down to it, most visitors are interested in parking not driving on the beach.

(3) Overflow into residential streets: the prohibition of beach parking at Cape Kiwanda will create an overflow into the Tierra Del Mar residential streets. Attached are photos of Pollock Street from the summer. The impact is worse in TDM however because our gravel streets get torn up by the steady stream of cars looking to park. The county does not maintain our roads on a regular basis. We have to haul buckets of gravel ourselves to fill potholes. Our streets are also narrow with no clear indication of a sidewalk or shoulder for parking. Cars have parked in or have blocked private driveways. Yet the Sheriff is understaffed and cannot manage these violations. If visitors park on residential streets, what provisions need to be made for emergency preparedness? Our tsunami evacuation plans and resources in TDM only take the residents into consideration. OPRD, Tillamook County and the Sheriff have to reach out to the Tierra Del Mar community to identify solutions to mitigate the overflow. Otherwise, you’ll see street barriers similar to the Cape Kiwanda neighborhood and hostile homeowners.

(4) Parking Fee: I am fortunate enough to have beach access without having to pay a fee. I would assume that appropriate research was conducted on fees for similar places, as well as an understanding of the economic demographics of visitors to arrive at $10.
o At $10, what groups of people will consider it too much? Personally, it would deter me from visiting the beach. I am unemployed, living off unemployment until that runs out. To choose between food or beach access is a no-brainer. Consider many of our county residents living in the mobile home parks or subsisting on social security. Survey them in-person to find out what amount they consider reasonable given the costs to maintain parks. It’s not likely that they will enter a public comment. I think it’s understood that a fee has to be charged.
o How will the parking fee be administered? Booth, Smart Pay, parking pay station meter? Have you considered hourly fees, e.g. $1.50/hr so that a visitor could pay based on their need, e.g. $6 for 4 hours, or $9 for 6 hours? Some folks just want to come down for the sunset, others want to spend the afternoon and have dinner in town. Make it more flexible.
Create other options for parking so those who cannot afford or choose not to pay the fee can still access the beach. For example, the county or other organizations can set up parking lots remotely (charge $3-5)(Kiwanda Community Center, churches, Dory Museum lot, Library/Thrift Store lot, PC Mini & RV Storage, top of McPhillips Drive on the west side, across from Sitka Sedge) and use the PC shuttle to bring visitors in. Local shops with big lots can sponsor fundraising groups for some parking spots. That will not only bring in more revenue or help fundraising, but give the town of PC more exposure and create community.

While residential parking and road management are not under the jurisdiction of the OPRD, it’s critical that you involve and demand accountability/action from the other agencies and stakeholders to coordinate a joint solution.

Thank you for your consideration,
Margaret Quan
Tierra Del Mar Resident
Too many destructive, littering, irresponsible people own cars. Wherever there are cars, there is pollution, unkindness, and unaccountability. Leave the cars in the parking lot, the oil on the pavement, and the PEACE at the ocean's edge.

KEEP OREGON GREEN!!
~an Oregon Native since 1990.
I am against driving on any of our beaches. Dangerous to people who driving. Leaves more garbage and oil. Our beaches should be protected.

Jacqueline Wilson
4421 SE 51st Ave.
Portland, OR 97206
503-720-3138
Thank you for sharing your concerns. I have forwarded them to our public comment box so they can be considered as we decide how to proceed with this proposed rule change.

Thanks,
Katie

Dear Katie,

Although I fear I am writing you in vain, as a member of what appears to be the minority (and after many months of keeping my thoughts to myself) I cannot be silent any longer.

The news that our fair county has begun redefining the rules regarding the practice of driving on our pristine beaches is, of course, long overdue. The hazards incurred by allowing folks to drive onto the beach are obvious, and extend far beyond the omnipresent risk of getting stuck. There are also erosion concerns, pedestrian safety, and the sanctity of our wildlife habitat unquestionably threatened every time a vehicle goes off the asphalt and towards the ocean.

I am a paraglider pilot, one of many who enjoys the north side of Cape Kiwanda, but perhaps the only one who actually lives in Pacific City. On days when the wind is right, I ride my bicycle from Hill St to the brewery, and walk over the dune from there. The walk takes about 10 minutes, and is not difficult. Modern paragliding equipment is extremely lightweight, and I can carry my entire setup, with snacks and extras, in a small backpack. Anyone fit enough to fly is fit enough to make the short walk.

The last 9 months at the dune have been, until recently, some of the most wonderful in memory. Without cars constantly tearing up tracks on the beach, the quiet beauty of McPhillips beach became instantly, immeasurably magnified. Flying the dune was much safer, without hooligans in jeeps trying to drive up the face of the dune beneath (a shockingly common experience), and shortly after the lockdown began, the wildlife returned in droves. On one particularly special flight this spring, I watched a sea otter walk the length of the beach, suddenly without fear or concern that drivers would be doing doughnuts in the sand. It was a beautiful sight.

So, when I heard the news that McPhillips would be opened again, I was greatly saddened. When I went to fly two days ago, and found fresh tire tracks almost all the way up the face of the dune, surrounded by beer cans, I knew I could be silent no longer.

Cape Kiwanda is a special place, for everyone to share. We don't need cars to enjoy its beauty, and those cars actively erode that beauty for both current and future enjoyment. Please consider this perspective, and if there is a forum where my comments are more appropriately voiced, please let me know.
Many thanks,
Julian Ansell
503-496-6943
Greetings

I have just read about the upcoming proposal to ban driving on the the beach at Cape Kiwanda—and I am compelled to comment. I am a fourth generation Oregonian who grew up visiting the Oregon coast and owns a home on the Oregon coast. I cannot overstate how strongly I feel that DRIVING ON THE BEACH MUST BE BANNED.
It is absolutely bizarre to me when I see tire tracks on the sand. It is uncouth, it is crass, it is barbaric to drive on the beach. It is akin to littering. It is the antithesis of everything that this state and our people hold dear about the greatness of this part of the world. Oregonians have divided opinions on many issues, but I believe that we agree our state is special, it is remarkably rich in natural beauty and that despoiling it is not an Oregonian value.

Thank you for reading.
Heather Renjen
From: Kendra Tester <kendra_tester@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2020 7:53 PM
To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD
Subject: Driving on beach

Please stop allowing driving in the beach. We were in Tierra Del Mar last spring and a woman was driving erratically in and out of the surf. A few minutes later her mini van got stuck as the tide was coming in. We tried to help but couldn’t and she seemed to be messed up on drugs. Luckily for her, a concerned citizen ended up coming to her rescue before her car was submerged. It’s too dangerous, especially when we have our short staffed police force stretched as it is. Driving on the beach also makes it dirtier and less serene.

Thank you,
Kendra Tester
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Sent from my iPhone
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| Public Comment   | We have public beaches in Oregon, because they were deemed to fall under the "public highways are open to the public" rule. If you restrict or prohibit the use of beaches as public highways, do you lose the justification for public beaches? |

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Record ID: 479
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2020 3:32 AM
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Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County
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Public Comment
I am in favor of KEEPING the law/ordinance as it stands. We visit the Tierra del Mar area most weeks. Not to drive alot on beach but to park on beach and go for nice, quiet walks with our dogs. While this beach area does have some vehicles, in general we have not noticed problems, trash or abuse. Keeping things "as is" with vehicles allowed on south side and no traffic allowed on north side(of entrance to the beach) gives citizens the freedom to enjoy and recreate how they like. Please allow current rules to remain as is. Thank you!

Submission ID: 437ac80d-68c7-43e4-8297-536f8466f573
Record ID: 480
First Name | Richelle  
---|---  
Last Name | Elliott  
Email | Chellebellerichelle@gmail.com  
Public Comment | Keep our drivable beaches as they are! It's amazing to be able to take your car on the beach. Great for the family, especially during these pandemic times.  
Submission ID: f44d583c-58d4-45db-a511-c9f7204d2999  
Record ID: 481
I support the proposed restrictions on beach driving in Tierra del Mar and Pacific City. I grew up going to the cabin my great-grandfather built in Tierra del Mar. I have walked countless miles on the beach between Tierra del Mar and Sandlake and at PC, spent days fishing from the family dory, have surfed the break at Cape Kiwanda, and have taken ecology classes there to tidepool as a professor at Willamette University. The beach driving situation, particularly at the Cape, has become unsafe. Too many people don’t understand the responsibility of beach driving and are getting stuck and blocking the access ramp or are parking in the doryman launch area and creating a hazard there. Beach driving should only be allowed for those launching and landing boats at the Cape. However, there does need to be a better solution for the parking issues at Pacific City. PC has gone from a quiet and largely overlooked beach to a major tourist attraction. This attraction has strengthened PC’s economy, but it means infrastructure improvement is critical. The reality is that more public parking lots, such as those found at Cannon Beach and Lincoln City, need to be built.

Submission ID: fca1f9d9-ca7d-4f80-9917-ace337563417

Record ID: 482
First Name | Andy  
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Last Name | Wickstrand  
Email | Andywickstrand@gmail.com  
Public Comment | I fully support these restrictions. Cars do not belong on beaches. Thank you!

Submission ID: aacd3aff-35ba-407b-9895-741663bf3c24
Record ID: 483
First Name | Jill  
---|---  
Last Name | Liddle  
Email | Jillmarieliddle@gmail.com  
Public Comment | I AGREE with the proposed changes. It makes no sense to allow cars and trucks to drive around people recreating on the beach on a natural beach. The environmental toll and impact to natural beauty far outweigh any reason to allow driving in the beach. Thank you for putting this proposal forward!

Submission ID: e7f3b847-7313-4eeb-9743-7a33522ab749

Record ID: 484
**From:** oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com  
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Email | suesissues@gmail.com

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<td>My husband’s grandfather was once a superintendent of schools along the Oregon Coast. At that time, his only choice to get from one school to the other by automobile was to drive along the sandy beaches at low tide. Those days are long gone. As a coastal visitor I have long been appalled by the extent of vehicles allowed access in southern Tillamook County. It complicates interactions in this busy area where vehicles, people, and wildlife are mixing. It is not safe. In addition to noise, pollution from leaking fluids and added toxic emissions, there always seems to be additional trash generated where vehicles are allowed, and I watch plastics blowing out to the ocean. Most of all, with increasing pressures placed on coastal areas by growing population and devastating wildfires, we need to be the most protective of wildlife. Pleasure vehicle driving does not belong on our beautiful Oregon beaches. Since Governor McCall signed the Beach Bill in 1967 we have enjoyed free unrestricted public access to our state’s beaches. But that privilege comes with responsibilities for their care. Please adopt OAR 736-024-0015 and restrict beach driving. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.</td>
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**Public Comment**

Please remember how externalities work. This proposal will increase traffic in the area and beach usage. You will no longer have vehicles in popular areas, creating more appeal to beach-goers, increasing the usage and traffic. Just be careful what you wish for.

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**Record ID:** 488
First Name | Debra  
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Last Name | Lee  
Email | Forest007fairy@gmail.com  
Public Comment | There is absolutely no good reason why people (except for emergency responders) should be driving on the beach.  
Submission ID: 9ad91d6b-b9a8-4803-b9d0-4b37f882bf6b  
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<td>I support closure of vehicle access, except for boaters, at the Pacific City location noted. Over use of vehicle beach access and parking has become hazardous. Thanks</td>
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Record ID: 490
First Name | Leroy  
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Last Name | Jamieson  
Email | leroy@sharklasers.com  
Public Comment | I would be more likely to visit the beach if there were less or no cars. I was there with my children and it seemed dangerous with kids playing on the beach and vehicles nearby. I think banning cars would make it safer and more pleasant for visitors. Exceptions could be made for the vehicles launching fishing boats. Thanks!
The reason my family and I go to Pacific City when we visit the coast is because we can drive out on the beach and get away from people more easily. I do not think that the beach should be closed to vehicles! If it does get closed to vehicles we will likely take our trips to other parts of the coast that allow beach driving or even up to Washington. I don't think that closing the beach to vehicles is going to help with anything.
I am in support of the proposed driving changes to the beach at Pacific City. Cars and trucks create hazards on the beach for walkers, dogs, and more importantly the local flora and fauna. Vehicles leave pollution behind including carbon emissions and leaking break and transmission fluids and oil. Let our Oregon beaches remain pristine and clean, ban all vehicles. Sincerely yours, Cecelia Nunn Haack
First Name | Dominique
Last Name | DeSpain
Email | dominique@robeydespain.net
Public Comment | I fully support banning parking on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. Not only would this make the beach safer, it also communicates and protects the value of a clean, open, and natural treasure of our state. We must have laws in place that set boundaries and hold people accountable for their impact upon the Oregon coast.

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<td>I am against any further restrictions on motor vehicle use on Tillamook County beaches. Using a motor vehicle is often the only means available to visit the beach, it also continues to remove access to those who live and pay taxes here in the county, but elsewhere in the state. Perhaps those who want exclusive use, or wish to walk on the beach without any motor vehicle traffic could travel to virtually any other part of this counties beaches, where the rarity of having the ability to drive on the public’s beaches are already highly restricted and require no other limitations. I urge rejecting any further restrictions.</td>
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Last Name | King  
Email | samuellleviking@gmail.com  
Public Comment | I really don't want the county to ban public parking or driving on the beach. This not only will contribute to clogged up road ways and parking in areas that are unsafe but it will take away from something so special that we have on our beaches. Many beautiful family memories are made by allowing a family to drive down to a spot and unload their stuff and hang for the day. I want future generations to enjoy the beach as much as possible. These restrictions cause the parking lots to be so full that you have to just leave pacific city in search of somewhere else. The parking lot @ pelican is already too full and by banning the use of the beach to drive on many ppl will not be able to even enjoy the amazing coast that we all love. Please do not ban the driving on the beach  

**Submission ID:** b7ea24c9-ebd8-45f2-af52-e60955363652  
**Record ID:** 496
First Name | David  
Last Name  | Burdick  
Email      | burdickdave@hotmail.com  

| Public Comment | I’m okay with this restriction, however one thing that needs to be taken into consideration is parking. The lot at Pelican Brewing is already jam packed nearly year round, and by removing the ability to drive on the beach, will only worsen the inability to find parking. Are there other nearby locations where a larger parking lot could be developed as part of this proposal?  

**Submission ID:** d00f397f-2a34-44db-941b-cb780d247642  
**Record ID:** 497
First Name | Gary 
Last Name | Crays 
Email | pdxgcrays@gmail.com 
Public Comment | I am in favor of restricting beach driving. I love visiting Cape Kiwanda but I do not like dodging cars on the beach.

Submission ID: b9419b07-4198-4fce-bf28-f7d960b93ffd

Record ID: 498
First Name | Amanda
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Last Name | Robinson
Email | amanda.g.robinson@gmail.com
Public Comment | I do not think that cars or other motorized vehicles should be allowed on any Oregon beaches. That should be a space for shore animals and birds, I have seen multiple trucks driving recklessly and even been stuck in the sand. Leave the beaches natural and safe for walking and native shore animals.

Submission ID: a62c4268-d5e8-436b-860a-a176fe64742e

Record ID: 499
First Name | Tammy  
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Last Name | Lakey  
Email | tntlakey@yahoo.com  
Public Comment | I don’t think we should allow driving on the beach in pacific city. I loved being able to but unfortunately it’s not being policed and as a result drivers are speeding and being reckless, I’ve witnessed dogs and children almost get hit. Our town has gotten more popular and populated but with no authority on the beaches the beach just doesn’t feel safe  
Submission ID: df4e8ab5-f6ea-49e0-a019-ea120af36da5  
Record ID: 500
As a retired deputy from Tillamook Sheriffs Office and having spent literally thousands of hours patrolling these areas I fully support the closures. The last few years that I worked for the Sheriffs Office I was assigned to Marine Patrol which included patrolling Cape Kiwanda Beach on weekends. I have witnessed many accidents, continual overcrowding and misuse of the area. Many tourist try to drive on the beach in vehicles that become stuck and create a hazardous traffic situation and repeatedly interfere with the dorymen trying access the beach.
First Name | Christy
---|---
Last Name | Adams
Email | chadams123@comcast.net

Public Comment
I support this rule change. First, the beach is not a road, it is a natural area and should be protected so that wildlife and people can continue to enjoy it. Cars on the sand leak oil, spew exhaust fumes, make noise and compact the sand, ruining the peaceful natural experience for beach-goers and impacting the environment for wildlife and plants. We have seen drivers going fast for a thrill ride, as well as drivers not paying attention as they are scanning looking for a place to park. The beach attracts many small children who are focused on playing, as well as people walking with pets. We would never stand for cars driving willy-nilly through a public park, why would we allow that on a beach? Establishing this rule, plus the charge for parking to help pay for maintenance and services, will protect the number one tourist attraction in the area, and our natural legacy, our beautiful Oregon beaches. With the increase in population and pressure on our wild areas, I feel this is a change that must be made. Thank you,
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**Public Comment:**

I am not sure how Tierra del Mar got added to this discussion. There is not and has not been a vehicle congestion or vehicle, pedestrian conflict on Tierra del Mar. The issue at the Cape is unique and is specific to that short distance of beach. Combining Tierra del Mar into this seems like an overreach and perhaps an agenda held by a very small user group. The parking lot and ramp at Cape Kiwanda has simply become too popular and requires some kind of regulation. The proposal to limit actual beach traffic to boat trailers makes perfect sense as the public still has plenty of great access to the beach. Closing off vehicle access to Tierra del Mar effectively turns that beach into a private beach for the adjacent property owners. Please don't make that mistake. There are many users whose only safe beach access is Tierra del Mar. Even if allowed, access at the Cape can be all but impossible by early Summer with heavy use on the ramp. As the sand fluffs the traction disappears and it takes a skilled driver to come and go. Tierra del Mar on the other hand is easy access and is pretty much only accessible by driving on to the beach. There are many uses North of the Tierra del Mar driveway that can only happen if there is beach access to vehicles. The Winter time use allows those now they do not need to be restricted.

**Submission ID:** 5f984e61-b86f-406e-90cb-4f4dfab6928c

**Record ID:** 503
First Name | Lauren
---|---
Last Name | Dixon
Email | redhedlor@yahoo.com

Public Comment | I agree with the new proposed rules about restricting driving on the beach from Tierra del Mar north to the mouth of Sand Lake. More people more damage. At the very least reverse the usage to being off limits for most of the time with occasional driving privileges rather than open all year with minimal closures. Thank you.

Submission ID: dfa72680-e8cc-40ab-a530-ab44c65b65d7

Record ID: 505
Motorized vehicles should not be allowed on Oregon’s beaches. There is no realistic way for vehicles to share space with families enjoying the beach. Moreover, allowing vehicles encourages people to also bring large volumes of other materials on the beach, including material that ends up being left as trash. If parking is an issue, surely there are other ways to address it. I do not own a business on the coast, but would not be inclined to visit a location where the beach had cars driving on it, and therefore would not end up patronizing any businesses adjacent to such a beach. On the contrary, it would seem that a major reason to drive your vehicle onto the beach is so that you can bring all the food, beverages and other gear you might want from home, thus reducing the business restaurants and others might otherwise expect on a per-visitor basis.
First Name | Erinne
---|---
Last Name | Goodell
Email | erinne.larissa@gmail.com
Public Comment | I support the proposed rule change! Autos are disruptive to birds, damage vegetation, increase erosion, and cause air and ground/water pollution.

Submission ID: 69dc913b-293f-4183-a884-da0b546cafb3

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**Public Comment**: My family and I have come to Pacific City and Tierra del Mar for over 40 years. We have launched Dorys at the Cape for the same amount and still do. The number of people visiting the area has changed over the years and more so the use of this treasured area. Having these areas as a place to safely drive a vehicle to has enabled me to share the area to my two young children and with people who have mobility issues, even if we rent a house that is off of the beach or when the weather is less than ideal. I feel strongly that regulated vehicle access at the Cape and from Tierra del Mar south to the cape is an important to the area and should remain an option. But there needs to be a permit process to access these areas. Similar to a camping, ramp fee, or off road permit. Only Dory launching & support vehicle activity should take place from the boat ramp north to the dune. I would like to see the county put a permit in place that could be purchased for 2 years and enable 4WD vehicles to operate safely in those sections. The fee could be used to patrol the area and put in day use fee terminals. My experience has shown me that a system like this would reduce issues with stuck vehicles, congestion, and support some of the activity wit the fee. Thank you

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<td>Yes to no driving on the beach. It is not necessary and can be very unsafe. I personally have felt in danger when confronted by a car or truck on the beach. It should not happen on any of our beaches. They are too crowded as it is.</td>
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Record ID: 509
First Name  | Bob  
---|---
Last Name  | Heath  
Email  | bob@arttouch.com  
Public Comment  | Vehicles don’t belong on the beach.

Submission ID: 876b904c-cbd0-4f85-8c98-cdfbf354494e

Record ID: 510
First Name | Beth
---|---
Last Name | Marchi
Email | bethamarchi@gmail.com

Public Comment | Please ban driving on Pacific City's beaches. We vacation there often and seeing cars zoom through the area that is suppose to be "No Motor Vehicles" is down-heartening and dangerous. The cars that come from Bob Straub and drive north ignore the "No Motor Vehicle" signs and drive up and down the beach all the way to the cape.

Submission ID: 1d8694d3-4039-4d56-a500-4cc6849ff673

Record ID: 511
First Name | Lee  
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Last Name | Cannard  
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Email | lee.cannard@gmail.com  
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Public Comment | As a family of beachgoers who do not typically drive on sand, we think this change is acceptable. It has always been a little scary having cars driving, and families with young children trying to enjoy the beach at the same time. Charging for parking is not a bad idea, but that money will have to go toward purchasing and maintaining additional parking spaces - not to park maintenance. More parking close to the beach will absolutely be needed in the summer months, since parking on the beach would not be available. All those cars have to go somewhere!

**Submission ID:** f20a7fc8-5211-4cdc-a6e9-3249bc2c2c6a  

**Record ID:** 512
**First Name** | Joel  
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**Last Name** | Theiss  
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**Email** | Joelt9876@yahoo.com  
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**Public Comment** | I strongly oppose allowing any non emergency vehicles to drive on any of Oregon's beaches. It would ruin the natural setting and is unsafe, putting children, animals and adults at risk. Please do NOT allow motor vehicle access on Tillamook county (or elsewhere) beaches.

**Submission ID:** d52c031a-8a90-44a3-a89a-369eb2319c71  

**Record ID:** 513
Hello. I was so happy to see the article in the Oregonian saying that a ban on cars on the beach at Cape Kiwanda is being considered! For many years, Cape Kiwanda was my favorite go-to place on the beach, except for the cars, which were always SO annoying. Such a beautiful place, but couldn't relax on the beach.

That will be wonderful if the cars can finally be sent back to the street where they belong. I'm sure it will make the wildlife happy as well.

Thank you.

Hannah Zaiv, in Portland area
I feel that eliminating the ability for people to be able to drive on the beaches at Cape Kiwanda is not necessary. There are not a lot of areas on the Oregon beach where vehicles are currently allowed and by eliminating what little we have will severely limit the ability of disabled people from experiencing the beach. There are thousands of people who would not be able to experience the beach without this type of access. There are plenty of miles of beach for people to be able to hike into if they do not want to see a car.

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Larry Goodroe
To Oregon Parks and Recreation:

It appears that the primary reason for changing the current access conditions are for PUBLIC SAFETY.

The following access conditions currently exist at both Cape Kiwanda and the end of Pacific Avenue.

CAPE KIWANDA ACCESS POINT:

The current access condition at Cape Kiwanda Headland is as follows:

   
   Auto types that can use ramp - Standard Passenger Cars
   
   - Off-Road (4 wheel drive)

   The majority of 'The Public' accessing the beach are those vehicle similar to a 'Standard Passenger Car'

2. Pedestrian Access - By dedicated curbed sidewalk separated from the driving lane.

   These two well defined and separated means of accessing the beach are appropriate for the types of activities (walking, public auto and boat traffic) expected to occur in order to access the beach area.

   Beach access is controlled in a manner supporting 'PUBLIC SAFETY'

Vehicle access speed is limited to a speed approximating the 25 mph limit.

Leaving the beach is also accomplished in a 'SAVE' manner.

PACIFIC AVENUE ACCESS POINT:
The current access condition at Pacific Avenue is as follows:

The access to the beach at this point is 'OVER' an approximately 30 foot high sand dune.

The types of vehicles using this access point currently. (And in the future following the proposed change) are:

1. Standard Passenger Auto Access - DOES NOT EXIST!
2. Off-Road Vehicles - 100% of vehicles type access beach.

Vehicle access path is undefined and uncontrolled

Pedestrian Access path is undefined and uncontrolled; exposing pedestrians to vehicles 'climbing' the dune at accelerated speeds and with limited vehicle control as a result of speed and the soft sand condition of the dune.

The speed limit at the point is 25 mph

The dune access speed is in excess of 40-50 mph beginning at the intersection of Pacific Avenue and Sunset Avenue.

The accelerated speeds occur for the length of Pacific Avenue from Sunset Avenue to the 'Dune'.

The uncontrolled mixing of auto and pedestrian traffic on the 'dune' is in direct conflict with the purpose for the access changes....'PUBLIC SAVETY' and controlled beach access.

The uncontrolled access condition described, occurs in reverse when leaving the beach.

It would appear that if in-fact 'PUBLIC SAVETY' is the primary concern, only allowing beach access at the Cape Kiwanda location (with improvement as required) would result in maximizing 'PUBLIC SAVETY'.

Only allowing beach access at Cape Kiwanda would require opening-up that portion of beach between

The Cape and Pacific Avenue, which appears to less that half the distance for which the beach is open south of Pacific Avenue.

ALTERNATE PROPOSAL IF BEACH ACCESS IS TO OCCUR AT PACIFIC AVENUE:
Take down the dune and provide accessible entries similar to what now exists at The Cape - Hard surface driving ramp and pedestrian walkway, with a ‘level’ approach!

Taking down the dune would have the added benefit of allowing for surface parking within the State Park Area, (which currently does NOT exist) which in turn would generate the income identified by those involved in the 'Parking Studies' currently underway.

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IN CONCLUSION:

To illuminate beach access at The Cape in favor of providing ALL beach access for Pacific City residents and the general public at Pacific Avenue; would be to:

1. Continue to expose the public to a dangerous condition.

2. Discriminate against those individual who DO NOT own an 'off-road' vehicle from being able to access the beach by standard passenger vehicle.

   To the same degree as currently is the case at The Cape!

3. Increase the volume of traffic along that section of Pacific Avenue from Sunset to the 'dune' to the extent of uncontrolled traffic congestion, and uncontrolled 'on-street' parking every where in the area.

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Thank You ………Judd Moore – Architect – Emeritus

Pacific City Property Owner
uncontrolled 'on-street' parking every where in the area.
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 5:47 AM
To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD
Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County
Attachments: formsubmission.csv

First Name | Kimberley
Last Name  | Priestley
Email      | bigpetiedog@aol.com

Public Comment:
I strongly support OPRD’s proposed rules to prohibit vehicles on Tillamook beaches. Vehicles on the beach negatively effect my enjoyment of Oregon’s beaches. They make me feel unsafe, and also pose a visual and audio blight. I am also concerned about the pollution dangers they pose to our shores and the species that count on them for habitat. Oregon’s beaches belong to the public and the state should protect them in their natural state. With that, I urge the Commission to adopt these rules. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Submission ID: cdd9c7f6-0118-42fb-af87-7af457d16945
Record ID: 514
First Name | Anthony
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Last Name | Alvarez
Email | T.ony1234@yahoo.com
Public Comment | Please don’t change the beach off road access for vehicles. My kids and I travel 5+ times a year too your county to drive on the beach. I’ll be taking my money too a different county if so.

Submission ID: da8297c6-d832-4fbe-9d8e-7f33897c7d9b

Record ID: 515
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 7:00 AM
To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD
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Record ID: 516
First Name | James  
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Last Name | Gentry  
Email | James.gentry68@gmail.com  
Public Comment | This would make a huge impact on my decision making on whether I would take my family here in the future. We like being able to drive on the beach and just sit there next to our vehicle all day. ATLEAST having the ability to drive on the less active Tierra Del Mar side just over the sand dune. I would even be happy to pay a daily fee in order to drive down there if that's what it took. Please don't take this away.

Submission ID: 52d90b10-99d4-4935-a842-2fcffab3d696  
Record ID: 518
I support these proposed rules. I am a lifelong resident of Tillamook County, and am a regular visitor to the area and the beaches in question. I am a birder, photographer, and I enjoy going to the beach for serenity and recreation. In the last several years, vehicular traffic has greatly increased on these beaches. An increasing number of drivers do not drive safely on the beach, and, with additional pedestrians, there is increased risk of injuries and deaths. The increased traffic is noisy and congests the area, detracting from the natural beauty, and harms the environment for shorebirds, other animals, and vegetation. On beaches where vehicle traffic is allowed, there is an increase in trash, and campfire debris that often is not extinguished in a safe manner. This pollution endangers children, adults and wildlife. Irresponsible behavior also is a substantial burden to local law enforcement, fire, and medical personnel, which is an additional burden to local taxpayers. These services are not being paid for by the general public, and certainly not by the scofflaws and irresponsible recreationalists. In the early 1970s, I also testified in favor of limiting vehicle traffic on Oregon beaches. The beaches that now do not have vehicle traffic are serene and relatively pristine, and attract responsible visitors. I respectfully urge adoption of these thoughtful and safety-oriented rules.
Hello,

There is little worse than walking out on a beautiful Oregon Coast beach and having it be a parking lot, whether a few cars or a lot. Going for a beach run to be passed by a pickup brings little joy too. The only reasonable reason to allow it is disability accessibility. Outside of that let it be a Washington State problem not ours.

Thank you,

Donald Roddy
Garibaldi, OR
We own a home on Shore Drive in Pacific City. We would LOVE to see beach driving banned so we support the efforts of the county to this end.
We also support the expansion of parking and the charging fee for parking in Pacific City state lot.
Sincerely
Manuela Bonnet-Buxton
503 351 9808
33545 Shore Dr.
Sent from my iPhone
First Name: Alice  
Last Name: Vinton  
Email: avinton@aol.com  
Public Comment: Vehicles - with the exception of fishermen - should NEVER drive on the beach. It is a safety hazard, a liability and it is an environmental problem. People who drive on the beach do not respect the natural resources of our public lands. It is dangerous to the people who want to walk on the beach. It was never allowed in the old days. I do not know who started this practice, but it is WRONG!
I oppose the closure of beach parking at Cape Kiwanda only because it doesn't solve the intended problem. If beach safety is the goal, while still allowing dory boats to use the beach as usual, the risk is not averted. Many surfers, kayakers, and beach users are at a high level of risk when a dory boat comes flying ashore with little to no warning, keeping vehicles off the beach doesn't solve this. Previously, there was, or still is, a designated landing zone for dory boats, which gives exclusive use to a very small group of users, there is a boat ramp down the street that they can access, they are only using the beach to skip the day use fee at the boat ramp and avoid the bay mouth hazards. Secondary, the beach parking is primarily used by most users as a secondary choice because street parking is so limited in town. You are effectively reducing access of the beach by over 50% due to limited parking and enabling only locals and lodging guests to access the beach, parking issues will become rampant on nearby residential streets and many users will be forced to travel elsewhere due to the already at capacity parking. Build another parking lot, or close the beach to all users if this is your solution.
First Name | Geoff
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Last Name | Hilgemann
Email | geohil21@gmail.com

Public Comment: One of the things that makes the trip to Tierra Del Mar is the novelty of driving on the beach. It makes going to the coast with the family easier in the form of not having to take multiple trips to the car for supplies. Please keep beach driving open on this stretch of coast.

Submission ID: c6854089-fbad-4875-95f7-77321f237859

Record ID: 523
I am a Tillamook born native and our family continues to have a home in Pacific City. What is referred to as the "Second Change" above still somewhat concerns us. Now that parking fees on the Cape Kiwanda parking lot are being considered, it may only exacerbate the parking issues we are having along all the roadways and in peoples private driveways and yards. It also seems a little unfair to those who cannot afford it and now must walk a longer distance than those who can afford it. Maybe considering a lesser amount would help. Also, those with disabilities and the elderly may only be able to get their toes in the sand with a proper vehicle parking them on the beach. Allowing parking on the beach could help alleviate some parking issues as long as adequate parking procedures/requirements were put into place. We’re not advocating simply driving around on the beach for the fun of it. Something more like an annual parking permit(similar to an ATV sticker) that is limited to a certain number of cars along with the understanding and acceptance of the beach parking rules/regulations, including the requirement that 4x4 vehicles are only allowed to beach park in that particular area. We are required to have adequate traction devices or tires when driving on ice or snow, why not on the sand as well.
First Name  Nik
Last Name  Orlov
Email  nikorlov@gmail.com
Public Comment  It’s disappointing to see such proposals to come up especially in such hard times as it is. As a person with limited physical abilities who isn’t able to walk the beach far distances, you have already taken away my family’s joy of visiting Pacific City area, as we don’t prefer the crowded streets of larger cities but rather always enjoyed supporting local shops and eateries by eating via take out on the beach, while enjoying sunsets out of the back of our SUV. Public beach belongs to people and like access to public lands should not be limited by such regulations that are simply unconstitutional and prevent our right to freely travel and access areas we enjoy to visit.

Submission ID: a8efd541-4bb5-4be9-a07f-251540536679

Record ID: 525
First Name | Tom  
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Last Name | Hochstatter  
Email | Thomashochstatter@gmail.com  
Public Comment | Stop taking access from us The beach is for all I kayak often at PC and enjoy driving on the beach and boating. We are tired of being restricted  

Submission ID: 33c74ac4-9c21-45f1-888d-6275c9e9a12c  
Record ID: 527
**First Name**: Michael

**Last Name**: Crisp

**Email**: Michaeldcrisp@yahoo.com

| Public Comment | Please do not close public access to a public beach just because a few fisherman are annoyed that our population has grown. All you’re going to end up doing is making the public mad and getting a lot more public parking on the streets in the town upsetting all the people that live there. A much better solution would be to charge a access fee to the beach so that only those who are willing to pay $5 or $10 each time to access the beach. It would cut down on cars on the beach at the same time also raise money for taking care of the beach. |

**Submission ID**: 571a7d11-828a-42e3-9485-612c91dd3f09

**Record ID**: 528
Public Comment

Please do not close the public beach access for vehicles only to allow it to a select few boaters who are complaining and voicing their opinion. Please allow all public to enjoy a beach that all the public pays taxes for and should have access to.
**From:** oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 16, 2020 7:28 PM  
**To:** PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD  
**Subject:** Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County  
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**Record ID:** 529
I question whether kayaks are being excluded from accessing the beach with the wording "(A) From the base of the headland south of Cape Kiwanda, Y 584, 879, southerly approximately 400 feet to Y 584, 688, motor vehicles essential to and engaged in boat launchings, boat recoveries, transferring equipment or supplies onto boats, unloading equipment or catches from boats, or emergency repairs of other vehicles or boats will be allowed at any time during the year;" As I already submitted, I have concerns over motorized Dories being allowed to access the beach still, when a true beach dory is a non motorized row boat. I have personally nearly been ran over while kayaking in the surf zone by motorized Dory's trying to land without notice. I feel if the beach is to be truly accessible by all, and safer because of this rule change, the wording should be changed to only allow "The launching and recovery of non-motorized watercraft".

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**Submission ID:** 0a49e7fd-0b77-4a9b-9ed9-ccaf0fb89cbd

**Record ID:** 530
First Name | Eric  
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Last Name | Lee  
Email | ericleerice@hotmail.com  
Public Comment | This will make the beach safer for my family and friends. I appreciate the measures to ensure that Pacific City maintains a healthy level of tourism without overrunning the resources of the landscape.

Submission ID: 0fa5b78e-18a7-4c60-a8d6-c5b1a3977f08

Record ID: 531
First Name: Larry  
Last Name: Ward  
Email: larry.ward54@gmail.com  
Public Comment: I am in support of the proposed rule change to limit driving of vehicles on the Pacific City Beach. Beaches should be for walking, not driving.

Submission ID: 8414bd86-8999-444c-9559-a4b79654250a  
Record ID: 532
I would ask that the county, please do not change the current law in that area. The Oregon coast is a beautiful place because of our laws and restrictions. However I feel adding more restrictions will take the enjoyment out of this particular area, with already limited beach driving/parking. The county wants to limit/take away an enjoying activity however it lines it’s beaches with hotels and shops attracting more and more people. This proposed law change makes no sense to me. More and more communities are coming together to clean our forest and beaches yet we still see more and more restrictions. Let’s work together, not create more separation with more restrictions.
Hello ~

Would you please respond to this customer with a cc to park.info@oregon.gov.

Thank you for your help.

On Tue, 15 Dec at 1:38 PM, 11b50 <11b50@embarqmail.com> wrote:

Question or comment from Ed Eaton:

What about us disabled who can't enjoy the beach without being able to drive????????????????????????????????

Browser: Chrome 87
User agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/87.0.4280.88 Safari/537.36
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Begin forwarded message:

From: PARKER Justin * OPRD <Justin.Parker@oregon.gov>
Date: December 18, 2020 at 2:10:59 PM PST
To: "pjhanes@comcast.net" <pjhanes@comcast.net>
Cc: INFO Park * OPRD <Park.Info@oregon.gov>, GAUTHIER Katie * OPRD <Katie.Gauthier@oregon.gov>, PARKER Justin * OPRD <Justin.Parker@oregon.gov>
Subject: Cape Kiwanda SNA comment reply

Hello Paul,

Thank you for taking the time to send in your comment below related to Cape Kiwanda and surrounding areas. I have copied Katie Gauthier who among other things for OPRD coordinates agency rulemaking. I’m hoping she can add your comment to the public record on the rules currently being considered. Thanks again for taking the time to share your thoughts.

Best,

Justin Parker

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From: Suresh Narayan <snarayan81@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 11:28 AM
To: GAUTHIER Katie * OPRD <Katie.Gauthier@oregon.gov>
Subject: Tillamook Beach useage

Ms. Gauthier,

In response to the article wanting feedback on the use of vehicles on Tillamook beach I say No to all vehicles, bikes, ATV’s, etc. I feel this way in regards to all beaches and parks. I love nature the way it was intended. However, I realize people wanting to enjoy scenery, beaches, parks and there is nothing wrong with that. However, man screws everything up that he touches and I am sure you know that. I just believe there should be limited access for people and the areas they can visit. My concern is for the animals and their natural habitat. I realize that I am a minority in my views but I hope the agency does what is in the best interest of the land, not man. I also believe that the fines and punishment for abusing these areas is way to insufficient unlike in certain parts of the world. I thank you for your time.

Thanks

Suresh Narayan
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Eugene, OR 97402
First Name | YVONNE  
Last Name | CARRELL  
Email | yacarrell@msn.com  

Public Comment | Our Oregon Coast should stay car free. I support the proposed rules for no driving on the beach both in Pacific City and Tierra del Mar areas. The only exception is to still allow boat-related vehicles north of the Pacific City boat ramp. I feel that if a parking fee is needed, $10 fee would be prohibitive. As a local, I love to make a quick trip to the Cape at low tide or to see a sunset. And, I believe day use visitors would start parking on the street. We know how dangerous that could be. I witnessed such this past summer when the Pacific City parking lots were closed. I do believe a fee is appropriate but much less. I am also hoping that a plan would include the ability to buy an annual pass for local visitors and a slightly lower fee for day passes ($5). Thank you for listening.
I was so happy to see that there might be a ban of cars on Cape Kiwanda Beach. I would like to see no cars on any Oregon beach. Vehicles on beaches are detrimental to both wildlife on the beach and to people who go to the beach to relax on the sand, not to be run over or off by a car. Please save the beauty and ecology of Oregon beaches - ban cars now.

Sincerely,
Julie Burns
Corbett, OR
From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
Sent: Thursday, December 17, 2020 10:08 PM
To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD
Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County
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