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From: Aukai Ferguson <aukai5@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 2, 2021 3:40 PM
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To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD

Subject: Ban cars on the beach at Cape Kiwanda

To Whom it May Concern,

I am all for banning cars from driving and parking on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. Times have changed since to was a quaint thing to do in the 1950s and 1960s. The area is becoming one of the premier surf destinations on the Oregon coast. As a surfer, I have seen this growth with my own eyes. Just 20 years ago there were only a handful of surfers in the area. Now the paking lot is always full summer and winter and the beach is loaded with beachgowers, spending the day haning out and surfing. Certainly, with the population growth statewide, and the increased popularity of surfing, the ability to drive your car down onto the beach will only become more and more problematic do to very limited space. It seems better to actually be slightly head of the inevitable, as oppose to waiting until gridlock occurs, or worse, someone gets hurt, to ban cars from driving onto and parking on the beach at Cape Kiwanda. Finally, I am sure an environmental scientist and a beach erosion expert could add a dozen or more insightful reasons why parking a 5000 pound internal combustion engine vechile on a beach is a bad idea in the first place.

Happy New Year,

Aukai Ferguson

From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com **Sent:** Thursday, December 31, 2020 8:19 PM

To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD

Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County

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First Name	Candace
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Public Comment	I was born and raised in Oregon, and have lived in Tierra Del Mar as a full-time resident for seventeen years. Being an Oregonian, I firmly believe and am committed to the concept of "public beaches". All Oregon beaches are for everyone to enjoy and admire. Everyone should be able to enjoy the beauty and serenity our beaches provide. Regretfully, over the last 17 years, I have witnessed that concept be destroyed by allowing vehicles on the beach. I have personally witnessed: * Cars and pick-up trucks racing up and down the beach well above the 25 mph speed limit even though young children and dogs are running and playing in the same area. * Showing off by doing "donuts" in crowded areas (I am assuming that they are "showing off" because I could think of no other reason they are doing it) * And regretfully, witnessing in person, driving after gulls and injuring some, and/or driving over crabs that have buried themselves from a high tide. * After a rain, the oil sheen showing in the sand where a car was parked. The beach is a beautiful piece of nature to be enjoyed by everyone. The north end of Tierra Del Mar should be open to everyone, and still will be, just without vehicles. The public has access to the beach at the end of each road in Tierra Del Mar.

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From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
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To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD

Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County

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Public Comment	I feel for the local residents & businesses in Pacific City who are dealing with the ongoing parking issues. However, Tillamook County should have done a better job ensuring the proper amount of off-beach parking (based on the projected growth and increased tourism). Anyone who experienced Cape Kiwanda in the 70"s and 80's would understand why I would vote: "no beach parking except for dory-launching" at the Cape. A beach packed with vehicles, if nothing else, is devastating environmentally, and beach-parking should be banned on that basis alone! Not to mention the safety hazards for people on the beach. Shutting parking down permanently on the beach is the right thing to do.

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From: Gmail <gloria.b.vandehey@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 4, 2021 2:18 PM
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Subject: Vehicle beach access on Oregon coast

OPRD

I am submitting these comments as a home owner and more importantly I care about the beaches around Cape Kiwanda.

I think all beach driving should be banned at all beach entry points on the basis of safety for pedestrian beach users, families and to enable recreational use of the beaches in terms of surfing, beach games and non polluting activities such as bike riding, para gliding, beach walking.

Of course there needs to be vehicle access for Emergency Services and Dorymen.

I do have a problem with general use driving vehicles onto the beach just because it can be done; tailgate parties, overnight camping and general littering and risk of fires along the coastline.

Please respect the beach and local birds and wildlife.

Also Pacific City needs to provide adequate bathroom facilities and adequate trash cans.

Please don't advertise coming to the coast if we can't provide sufficient parking, bathroom facilities and trash cans for day trippers to dispose of litter.

Thank you

Gloria Vandehey

Sent from my iPhone

From: oregon-gov-web-services@egov.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 5, 2021 1:50 PM
To: PUBLICCOMMENT * OPRD

Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County

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First Name	Jesse
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Public Comment	Please continue to allow driving on the beach in Pacific City. The current parking situation doesn't allow enough vehicles and people to access and enjoy this area. As demand for this area has grown exponentially it would be sad to limit the number of people that can enjoy it. There needs to be more education for drivers to not park on the sand if they do not have a capable vehicle or are incapable as drivers. Also those walking to the beach need a dedicated path as to not walk on the ramp vehicles need to get back on the asphalt. I have seen many vehicles stuck in the deep sand because someone walked directly in front of a vehicle or even worse a truck towing a dory boat. Vehicles need momentum in the deep sand. Please also continue to allow driving on the beach at Pacific Ave. This allows more access to the river mouth area which is a long walk for many which limits accessibility to a beautiful place. There are very few places left in Oregon where you can enjoy the experience of driving on the beach. If needed consider requiring a OHV permit and flag. I'm in favor of regulating and ticketing reckless drivers who create an unsafe environment and ruin it for everyone else. Native Oregonian who has been going to Pacific City for over 20 years.

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Subject: Restrict Beach Driving in South Tillamook County

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Public Comment	Rather than close these areas completely, it would be nice to see the state/county add some restrictions to start. If that doesn't help over the next couple years then close it. Start by making designated access points for pedestrians away vehicle lanes. Require 4wd and OHV permits for anyone wanting to drive on the beach or launch a boat at PC. If you drive a 2wd vehicle, don't have an OHV permit, or get stuck and need to be towed out, you have the potential to get a ticket. If you are a dumbass on the beach and driving recklessly, you get a ticket. There is no need to punish everyone because of issues with a few people.

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