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**1. What is your interest in the Great Ocean Road Region?**

Primary residence

**2. Are you completing this survey on behalf of an organisation?**

**3. How many times did you travel along the Great Ocean Road (any section between Torquay and Allansford) in the last 6 months?**

Most days

**4. What do you love most about the Great Ocean Road and its landscapes?**

Wild unspoiled coastline and scenery. Walking, cycling, boating

**5. What aspect of the Great Ocean Road and its landscapes would you most like to see protected?**

Coastal scenery and communities which are struggling under the tourist onslaught

**6. What aspect of the Great Ocean Road and its landscapes would you most like to see changed?**

Basic maintenance of infrastructure - toilets, parking, GOR itself.

Planning for the future - more self drive and bus traffic is not the solution in other global tourist destinations. Where is the plan for hop-on/hop-off shuttles? Walking and cycle tourism?

Where is the community consultation? Our Coast Committee and DEWLP do NONE at all - should be ashamed of themselves

**7. Do you work for, own or operate a business, or are you a member of a community organisation, that benefits from visitors to the Great Ocean Road Region?**

Key issue is high volume of drive through tourists - lots of impact on environment and infrastructure but little spending or contribution

**8. Is there any critical issue or opportunity that we have missed (in chapter 3 of the Issues Paper)?**

No

**9. Do you have any suggested changes to the overarching policy, goals and principles (pages 40 - 41) in the Issues Paper?**

**10. What elements would you like to see covered in a Strategic Framework Plan for the Great Ocean Road Region?**

**11. What are your thoughts about establishing a new organisation to oversee the development, and coordinate implementation, of a Strategic Framework Plan for the Great Ocean Road Region?**

Part of the issue is too many authorities already. Only add a new one if you will first get rid of some existing.

The Otway Coast Committee, for example, is subscale, underskilled and without proper funding. Most of its functions are duplicated by the Colac Otway Shire. It is totally without accountability or public engagement or communications of any kind. Just runs as a subsidiary of DELWP with no independence and appears to have no proper governance - Still has not published annual report on 2016/7 - so no way of knowing whether it achieved any of its objectives or whether it remains solvent. Please get rid of it! Similar may apply to GORCC - though suspect that's not as bad as OCC. So there's TWO organisations which you could easily dispose of - and transfer their functions to the relevant Shires. Still need to solve funding and overall governance but it would be a start at addressing the bureaucracy and lack of accountability

**12. What current constraints need to be addressed in the future governance arrangements?**

If you just change the governance without addressing the funding you will fail. Both need to be changed.

It will take 5 years to put in a new authority and get it running properly. We cannot wait another 5 years to reduce the duplication, organisational duplication and to get proper user pays funding. So those issues must be solved in your report - not just passed onto a new body on top of all the others.

BE BOLD!!!

**13. Are there any other management models /options we should consider?**

**14. What key criteria should the Taskforce use to evaluate the management model options?**

Does it reduce the number of authorities involved?

Is there local accountability and democracy?

Do the users contribute to the costs?

**What is your age range?**

[REDACTED]

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