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

Secondary residence

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

no

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

Most months

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

What is most precious to me, and has been when I first build a small house at Wye River in the late 70s, is the natural (almost) unspoilt native natural environment, the flora and habitat for fauna -

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

I believe the ocean Road and surrounding area is under great stress - too much traffic, too much development, too much clearing after the Christmas day fire, (where we lost our house) resulting in over engineered solutions which will create more problems.

I realise how tourism is a vital economic benefit but I believe numbers need to be managed. Perhaps a daily quota and a toll on large buses which are destructive but offer little to local businesses.

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

I would like to see the natural environment as always the first priority. As mentioned above, I think the clearing, followed by landslides after the xmas day fire has resulted in risk-averse over engineered knee- jerk solutions.

After the fire there are too many different authorities who are not communicating with each other and a council that is over whelmed - this is resulting in inappropriate too large housing, too much land destruction, absurd septic fields and foundations, etc because the under resourced council has deferred to the easiest least imaginative over engineered solutions

**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?**

No

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

see below

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

see below

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

see below

**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?**

I think it is a good idea to have an overarching authority, so long as it has the power as well as the responsibility to take action to preserve a precious natural area.

There needs to be clearly prioritized charter where the ecology and environment is number one priority.

The charter needs to be in place so that different governments go not have the power to alter it and vested interests are not able to manipulate priorities.

I think there also needs to be ,as part of this, a clear plan of procedure to prevent the reactions of council to critical events eg fires, to carry out solutions that are over engineered and ultimately environmentally destructive.

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

**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?**

What is your age range?

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