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

Primary residence

Local business owner/operator

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 days

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

The beautiful combination of forest, ocean and farming views. And the rural community townships along the way each with their own character.

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

Most like to see protected - habitat for wildlife.

Also the road itself needs to be protected/ managed so that it remains an enjoyable journey. If traffic were to increase significantly then the enjoyment could be adversely affected.

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

Traffic management and road safety.

Designated roads in and out of the 12 Apostles (meaning acquisition of land to divert the Great Ocean Road behind the 12 Apostles for those not actually going to visit the 12 Apostles.). Then visitors to the 12 Apostles can enter the area via gated entrances about 3km either side of the current car park. That entrance road would have reduced speed limits and create a sense of excitement and anticipation.

Also - While it would be a very large investment it would be extremely beneficial to establish sections of designated bicycle path beside the GOR. This may even include some suspended or cantilevered sections. Cycling the GOR is not currently safe enough however cyclists are ideal tourists for this region. They travel in small groups, and as they would travel for a number of days they would spend locally as they travel along the GOR.

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?

Yes - my partner and I own a property that offers self contained holiday accommodation. Some key issues for us are road safety, congestion and roads infrastructure around the 12 Apostles.

Also it appears to be a lack of simple holiday planning tools for self drive tourists.

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

No comment at this stage

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

No - the issues paper appears to be a well considered document

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

No specific comments

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?

It sounds like a great idea. A more holistic approach is definitely required.

For example, the Port Campbell Masterplan was a good idea but its proposed scope of work didn't go far enough. (Perhaps with a bigger picture in mind funding for Port Campbell redevelopment could be greater including acquisition of land from the camping ground to create a wow factor arrival point for that leg of the journey and better shared public spaces.

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

No comments

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

No comments

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

No comments

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