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Subject: Great Southwestern Victoria touring route

Please help save the Great Ocean Road and it's towns and residents. The inevitable influx of tourists will in time destroy our home and replace it with a Gold Coast, Kuranda or Venice experience.

Norway has a hugely successful "Norway in a Nutshell" experience. Organised tours at a price cheaper than individual travel with an even better experience. 2,3,4 and multiday tours offer a chance to control visitation and spread the wealth and share the enjoyment of the environment with increased safety and efficiency.

I often meet tourists in car parks along the Great Ocean Road with little idea of the distances and attractions which confront them.

Please develop tours and attractions for these tourists which control their impact on locals. While recently touring in Cebu our registered driver was only allowed to stop in certain tourist centres. Local village precincts were out of bounds.

Tours replacing individual cars with 20 seat electric buses are a most desirable solution. Make the attractions expensive for individual tourists but right priced for tours.

Note how limited bus access to Bells Beach has successfully controlled the visitors without ruining the area for those surfers who enjoy it. This is another model worth adopting at Point Addis, Anglesea Beach, Aireys light house and all the proposed new attractions.

However the reverse access criteria needs to allow preferential access to buses to certain new attractions being proposed.

This "This Great South Western Victoria Tour" model serves all parties associated including vested interests and Government growth oriented tourist boards.

The future is in your hands and visitation to the Ocean Road threatens it's future as you have already pointed out. So controls on visitors via well organised value for money tours replacing individual visitor experience is a must.

The "Road" is still the attraction but the iconic driver experience needs to be limited for safety just as we now have to accept 80 km speed limits from Geelong to Anglesea. A better tourist experience needs to be on offer or driving the Great Ocean Road will just be like a nightmare.

Just as an aside, an Anglesea bypass with exclusive access to the Eden Project from Forest Road through to Urquharts Bluff will enhance everyone's experience and provide a safe alternate exit in case of bushfire.

Please do not increase parking at beaches. No change for beaches.

Thanks  
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