



NOW IS THE TIME TO SAY NO to an unnecessary and environmentally destroying multi-million dollar boardwalk through the Quindalup vegetated sand dunes in the 13.37ha South Trigg Beach Class A Reserve 46248 Bush Forever Area 308 Sector 6 Trigg Bushland Reserve

The City of Stirling is conducting public consultation from 30 July to 30 August on a proposal to build a 1km long “humpback whale theme” boardwalk supported by hundreds of steel footings, with timber decking on “nodes” with seating and shade structures. Have a look at the City’s PR pages here: [City of Stirling - Coastal Boardwalk Feasibility Study](#) The City has ignored its own Coastal Hazard Risk Management Plan which recommends development be avoided on this high erosion risk narrow coastal dune system.

There are multiple reasons why this is a bad idea – choose from those below to add to your own thoughts on this when you make your comment either on-line or by email before 30 August. Make sure you say NO in the first line.

1. The impact of construction on and fragmentation of this erosion prone remnant coastal dune system will cause irreversible damage to landforms, vegetation and animal habitat. There are birds, reptiles and native plant species in the vegetated dunes that would be threatened by disturbance, artificial light, shade, rain shadows and trampling.
2. There is already pedestrian access to the beach through the fenced protected dune system via four paths and along the wide sandy beach foreshore. There is no need for a 1 km long boardwalk through the dunes. Upgrade the existing dual path along WCHwy.
3. The Threatened Ecological Community of Rottnest Is Pines would be destroyed by fragmentation and excavation for hundreds of footings disturbing this geologically significant area. A 15m buffer is insufficient for the preservation of this TEC.
4. The South Trigg Beach Class A Reserve is a “High to Extreme” erosion risk zone over the next 100 years. (Ref: City of Stirling Coastal Hazard Risk Management and Adaptation Plan which recommends avoidance of development on this coastal reserve).
5. Introduction of weeds, fire risk, rubbish, dog poo etc into the fenced reserve. There is currently no evidence of uncontrolled public access into the fenced reserve. Let’s keep it intact, protected and preserved for future generations.
6. Emergency services vehicles and equipment would require access along the boardwalk day and night meaning it would need to be well lit and the adverse effect of artificial light on wildlife and native plant species is well known. Personal safety at night is also an issue when there are unlimited alcohol outlets nearby.

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