

Hello,

Regarding the proposed Yumbah Aquaculture facility at 315 Dutton Way Bolwarra request for further information. My concerns on the new information provided are around the sand bypassing, beach protection and access roads.

Yumbah have not addressed the proposal for restoring the beaches with extra sand bypassing to protect from further man-made coastal erosion and removal of the dangerous rock wall.

Since the construction of the K.S Anderson wharf the beach has eroded up to 200m due to change in coastline, the sand is currently stockpiled at the wharf and in excess of 2.5 million cubic meters. This sand belongs to the residents of downstream Portland bay.

The proposed Yumbah inlet and outlet pipes do not currently allow for any beach restoration, they must have an additional 200m added to their inlet and outlet pipes.

Following the EPA organized town meeting on December 19th, questions surrounding the sand bypassing agreement and possible future excess pumping for beach restoration were left unanswered. Yumbah acknowledged the minimum 50, 000 cubic meters that is pumped annually, as not having any effect on their development but failed to address the potential for excess pumping, as has been done in the past. My concern is that Yumbah will not allow for this in their development and the beach will never be restored.

The Sand By-passing and Smelter Obligations Deed allows for an increase pumping of sand which could be in the order of 2.5 million cubic meters.

Due to the man-made coastal erosion the rock wall has been constructed as a matter of necessity. However, it is extremely dangerous as the rocks are simply balancing on top of each other. Many rocks fall following big waves and should someone be in the wrong place at the wrong time, they would be killed.

The plan to restore the beach is the best protection from erosion, it would also make the rock wall redundant and eliminate the danger altogether.

I live nearby to Dutton way and frequently walk/ cycle along Dutton Way, Keillers Beach Road, Fergusson's Road and Huxley Roads with my young children, currently aged 6 and 8 years old. It is very dangerous at the current traffic volume, as there are no off-road footpaths or cycling tracks.

Yumbah intend on putting B-doubles on these roads, the current width and the lack of off-road tracks for walkers and cyclists does not allow for any increased traffic volume.

There is mention of upgrading "Portland Beach Road"? What road is this? And what do they intend to do?

I look forward to hearing from you regarding these issues and please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions, or require any further information.

Sincerely

