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4WD track to The Deeps closed

The City of Albany will temporarily close the four-wheel-drive track to The Deeps within Lowlands Reserve from August 1 2014.

The section of track to be temporarily closed is located between the intersection of the Knapp Head Rd and Tennessee South Rd four-wheel-drive tracks, and the coast. Other tracks within the reserves will remain open.

The temporary closure is necessary in order to undertake maintenance on the track.

To make the area safe for all users the City will need time to remediate past work. There will be a community planting day Sunday, August 3, 2014 supported by the Youngs Siding Community Association and Lowlands Coast Care Group. Participants can meet at Lowlands Beach Carpark at 9:00am.

Stabilisation of the track will stop unnecessary degradation of rehabilitation areas, while allowing on-going access to the site.

The Deeps is a popular fishing site for residents and visitors. The access track to and from the site is very steep and comprises deep sand.

Due to track users not reducing tyre pressure enough to suit track conditions, vehicles have been leaving the track to find alternate routes to get up the hill. Track users who do lower their tyre pressure adequately can ascend The Deeps hill without difficulty, and without degrading the area.

Signs will be erected at each entrance to Lowlands reserve to inform visitors of the temporary closure.

These works allow reserve users to continue to access remote coastal locations, while the natural beauty of the coastline is conserved for future generations.

For more information on City of Albany environmental work and ways to help, contact Mark Ford, Reserves Manager, on 9841 9253.

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