

# OCEAN SHORES TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE



**Minister for Planning**

**Brent Devine MP**

Re: Application No. MP09\_0028 MOD 4 Request for Extension of Trial Period – Cultural events site, North Byron Parklands.

Dear Minister,

We fully support North Byron Parklands extension of their trial period to the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019. With a Preliminary Environmental Assessment required by the Planning Department, NBP would need more time to undertake detailed expert analysis and assessment on a wide range of technical matters, as well as consult with key stakeholders and the wider community.

To maintain the operation of the Falls Festival and Splendour In The Grass they need the extra extension of their trial period. They need to be sustainable and we support them in their endeavours.

We have followed this project over the years, monitoring traffic, noise and environmental management, emergency services, educational programs, camping infrastructure and facilities and many of our team have attended planting programs and cultural events on this site, and we are impressed by the dedication and professionalism of their management team to deliver quality facilities, infrastructure, while they improve the local biodiversity. This 660 acre land parcel is ideally suited to diverse events like cross-country School runs, Scout bivouacs, Wellness, Eco or Film Expos as well as a few music events each year. This property has come a long way from the degraded farmland and cattle run it used to be, and we are very impressed with their progress.

NBP has developed into a strong economic support base for our local community, and it provides excellent opportunities for good social, cultural and recreational opportunities and resources for the Byron Shire and our region.

Yours Sincerely,

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**N.B. I do not wish to have my name included when you post this Submission on the Department of Planning website. Thankyou.**



**TIDY TOWNS**  
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a better environment.

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