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To Whom It May Concern:

Submission on development of policy and the regulation of shack sites on public land in Western Australia.

I agree that a policy to regulate shack sites on public land needs to be formulated and that the policy recognises the traditional use of shacks by families spanning many decades.

Over the years shack owners have been the custodians of the land and their surrounds. They are extremely conscious that to continue to enjoy the area they need to respect and conserve the environment and take issue with any inappropriate behaviour displayed by other users of the area including cleaning up rubbish.

Without the feeling of ownership that Shack Owners have for their areas, we could see a rapid decline in the condition of the land.

Shacks should remain in Western Australia as an acknowledgement of an "Australian way of life" for generations of families.

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