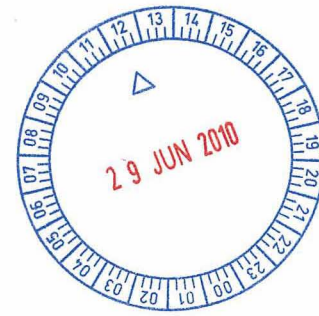


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Committee Clerk  
Environment and Public Affairs Commission  
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Dear Sirs/Madams,

**RE: Enquiry into Shack Sites in Western Australia**

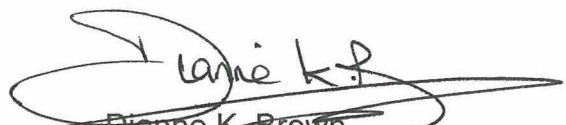
It has come to my attention that you are currently conducting an Enquiry into Shack Sites in Western Australia – particularly those in Wedge and Grey.

In my opinion, these sites should be cleared of shacks, rehabilitated and developed to provide public facilities for nature based recreation, camping and eco accommodation. There are currently no sewerage facilities and the rubbish that has been dumped in and around these sites should not be further tolerated. The occupants of Wedge have shown a contempt for their own surroundings and a lack of appreciation for the natural beauty of the bushland and beaches by dumping rusting car body carcasses and metal objects causing a danger to both people and wildlife. The beach has been used for hooning and racing 4WD vehicles and 4 wheelers with little regard to safety of either the vehicles occupants and those on the beach. Bad behaviour should not be rewarded by further extension of leases into these shack sites.

The current social inequity and deplorable environmental conditions of the current situations at Wedge and Grey are untenable. I do not see why a privileged few should have beachfront accommodation at cut rate prices when the rest of the State's citizens must pay exorbitant rates for holiday and beachfront accommodation.

I am not a member of any organisation, but I am a citizen of Western Australia and would like to see all shack sites rehabilitated and opened for all West Australians to enjoy.

Yours sincerely,

  
Dianne K. Brown