

Heritage Estate being destroyed in spite

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CONCERNS have been raised about the continued damage caused to the Heritage Estate environment

Unauthorised tree clearing, trail bike riding and four-wheel drive use are damaging the land

There is also a network of unauthorised tracks and roads

Trees have been cleared and road base put down to create a circuit – allegedly for trail bike riders

Local residents claim the trees were cut down out of spite by a landowner upset by the Federal Government's decision not to allow them to build on the land

Shoalhaven City Council is preparing a report on the long-term plan for the land. Once completed, the report will go before a full council meeting.

Council has had consistent problems with the misuse of the land, which also includes illegal dumping.

Council is also responding to calls to stop the land's destruction from local residents and has also made representation to both the State and Federal governments on the long-term future of the land.

The director of planning and infrastructure, Ernie Royston, said council wanted the land to be brought into public ownership.

Mr Royston said council still took its responsibility for Heritage Estate seriously and that there were rules and regulations that had to be observed on the land.

People found guilty of misuse of the land, like unauthorised clearing, will be fined.

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