

## Appendix B – Copy of Petition Action Station

**To: Petition to our local and national leaders - to stop McCallum Bros Ltd from marine sand-mining in Bream Bay**

**Campaign created by Concerned Communities of Bream Bay against Marine Sand Mining**



We're calling on our local and national leaders to stop McCallum Bros Ltd from mining more than 8 million cubic metres of sand from the Bream Bay seabed.

This industrial scale mining will have no local benefit or any significant national economic impact. It will destroy seabed habitats, choke marine life and accelerate coastal erosion threatening the health of our ocean, beaches and local economy.

**We, the undersigned residents and visitors of Northland, call on the Whangarei, Kaipara, Far North and Northland Regional Councils and its elected members, as well as Whangarei MP Shane Reti, Northland MP Grant McCallum, Te Tai Tokerau MP Mariameno Kapa-Kingi and members of the Coalition Government to:**

1. Oppose all marine sand mining consents for McCallum Bros Ltd at Bream Bay under the Fast Track Process or the Environmental Protection Authority for Bream Bay.
2. Back and encourage the use of existing sustainable sand for manufacturing and support innovation.
3. Ensure all relevant information is provided to decision-making panels including a full economic assessment and environmental, cultural impact reports.
4. Enable the representatives of Northland region to be heard at any hearings or consultations with the EPA or Fast Track decision making panels.
5. Enable any necessary appeals.

**Why is this important?**

## **Why sign this petition?**

This petition gives our local elected members and councils the mandate to ensure the health and wellbeing of Bream Bay and local communities are protected into the future by submitting strong opposition on our behalf.

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*We don't need to destroy our seabed to build our future.*

New Zealand companies are producing engineered sand from recycled materials – a cleaner, smarter and more sustainable alternative. With growing investment in engineered sand technologies across NZ, marine mining is no longer necessary.

*Bream Bay is a thriving ecosystem.*

It's home to protected marine species, vital fisheries and beloved beaches. Its health is essential to our environment, economy and the community's wellbeing.

This proposed large scale operation would:

- Destroy seabed habitats and vital marine ecosystems.
- Disrupt sediment flows that protect our beaches, increasing erosion and coastal instability.
- Create sediment plumes that smother marine life, and degrade water quality far beyond the mining zone.

Together, we can protect Bream Bay's unique marine environment, preserve its cultural and recreational value, and secure a sustainable future for our communities.

*Bream Bay is not a quarry.*

**This is our coast. Let's keep it safe for generations to come.**

For more information <https://savebreambaysand.org/>

## References

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['Alarming' scale of marine sand dredging laid bare by new data platform](#)