



**Burnett Mary**  
REGIONAL GROUP

Practical Solutions for Natural Resource Management

## Sandy Foreshores Fact Sheet 3

### *Better Beaches Training Program*

#### **Background**

This project builds on a previous initiative conducted by the Burnett Mary Regional Group and CQ University in 2007-8. The objective was to develop a Code of Practice for 4WDs on foreshores (primarily to protect turtles and shorebirds). The Code was a highly successful engagement tool developed by regional 4WD clubs and non club 4wders. The activity also empowered the participants with a new function, that of stewardship for the natural resources that they enjoy in this popular pastime.

#### **Taking it a step further**

In addition to the series of documents and fact sheets, The “Better Beaches Training Program” has been developed by P7Offroad – Accredited Offroad Driver Training, the program includes both on beach and off beach delivery and is practical in its nature. This program focuses on strategies and techniques which can be employed by recreational and commercial users of Sandy Foreshores which are *sustainable* and have a *nature based* focus.





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The "Better Beaches" program seeks to highlight that positive, sustainable behaviours are available and accessible to all.

The delivery of this funded program will ensure that key individuals and groups are better equipped to plan their Sandy Foreshore activities utilizing Best Management Practices which will secure our region's Sandy Foreshores sustainability for generations to come.

## Course Content

Performance Criteria	online	practical
Select Appropriate Tyre Pressure		x
Demonstrate understanding of different tyre construction	x	
Utilise deflator of choice to lower tyre pressure		x
Check pressures with tyre guage		x
Demonstrate understanding of 'beach as habitat'	x	
Demonstrate best driving line on beach		x
Demonstrate best access to hind dune area		x
Select and demonstrate gear and range selection		x
Demonstrate best technique for beach entry and exit		x
Demonstrate self recovery techniques		x
Demonstrate understanding of required permits	x	
Demonstrate consideration to other drivers		x
Demonstrate consideration to other beach users		x
Park vehicle in accordance with best practice		x



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Expressions of interest are sought from Club and Non-Club trip leaders, educators and commercial operators wishing to participate in this funded, one day training opportunity.

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