

Dear Senators:

I am writing in opposition to SB 873. I'm sure this bill is well intentioned but this doesn't offer any solutions that aren't already available in law and practice.

I am very concerned that bioengineering isn't defined and that the word "rock" is used instead of "small cobbles", e.g. as was done at Cape Lookout State Park in an area where there are natural cobbles.

I think this creates a big loophole to allow large rocks, i.e. riprap, not dynamic structures that lessen the surf's energy without hardening the beach.

We're losing our beaches from the placement of riprap. This bill should not help promote any more.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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