

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **PROPOSAL TO ASSIGN A KIAMA BEACH NAME**

The Geographical Names Board is calling for public comment on a proposal by Kiama Municipal Council to name a beach, Boneyard Beach.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board, Des Mooney, said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name the beach located to the north of Bombo Headland and south of Cathedral Rocks, accessed via Cliff Drive.

The beach extends for approximately 437 meters, in the suburb of Bombo.

Council said the beach has been known by this name for many years.

The beach is fronted by rocks and reefs and is a well-documented surfing location.

There are many theories about the origin of the name; some speculate that coral washed up on the sand gave the impression of a boneyard.

Mr Mooney said the board is encouraging community comment before it considers the proposal.

“It is important that place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community,” he said.

“We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name.”

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board’s website at [www.qnb.nsw.gov.au](http://www.qnb.nsw.gov.au).

Alternatively written submissions may be lodged with the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW, 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 13 May 2016.

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