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Sand mining, especially on a large scale, is very destructive to the landscape despite later efforts at restoration. Sibelco at a public meeting indicated that, ideally, mining on North Stradbroke Island would cease about 2025 when the mines became uneconomic. Also, they indicated that by that time rehabilitation would also be uneconomic.

It is obviously a disaster for this precious and beautiful island to extend the agreed mining period.

The Mining Bill proposed is a clear breach of contract between the Government, Sibelco and the Quandamooka People.

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