

How did Fingal Head Coastcare (FHC) get rid of the Bitou Bush?



Bitou Planted by Sand Mining

Example Forest Walk.

The South African Bitou Bush planted by the sand mining company became a problem and a monoculture which overtook other species.



Clearing Bitou

FHC trialled many methods to control the Bitou Bush.

The final method was to weed around the trees which were to be retained; slash the standing Bitou Bush and leave it on the ground; spray any new regrowth.



Forest Walk After Bitou Clearing - 1991

Rainforest species propagated by FHC were planted in the cleared areas.

Planting shown adjacent to Forest Walk.



Forest Walk - Rainforest - 2017

Littoral Rainforest regenerated.