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Media Release

Ocean Alley Guitarist plea to Save Wallum, “We need to move quickly”.

Ocean Alley guitarist, Mitchell Galbraith, has come on board to Save Wallum, joining the frontline this week by visiting the community 24/7 Vigil and Protest in Brunswick Heads.

Mitch and the band are urging their fans, festival goers and other musicians to get on board to stop the destruction of this precious habitat.

“The immediate call to action, for all of us, is to communicate with Ministers Plibersek, Scully and Sharpe, and let them know that we will not stand by and allow our governments to constantly ignore our community's voice and disrespect local cultures, values, traditions and country,” he declared.

“The Ocean Alley lads and I spend a great deal of our time amongst the natural beauty of rare and special landscapes here on the Northern Rivers and around Australia. Every time we are out there we are moved by the beauty and have come to realise how important it is to preserve our diverse and unique flora and fauna.

“I’m asking all music fans, festival attendees and artists all around Australia to join with us to end this madness and stand up for country, which we are so grateful and lucky to be living on.

“Go to www.savewallum.com and follow the links to send your message loud and clear to the people in power who can stop this. Please share this message with your family and friends. We will be doing the same amongst our fans and supporters around the world. We need to move quickly.

“For my artist colleagues, just message us to join our team and help us garner the national support we need.”

About Save Wallum

The 30HA Wallum site located in Brunswick Heads NSW is currently at risk of development from a zombie DA. The planning and assessments of the site date back more than 10 years. A community grassroots campaign formed in 2023 to protect this unique and biodiverse area, #SaveWallum.

Non Violent Direct Action (NVDA) has been underway since 8 February 2024 with Save Wallum advocates living on and beside the site, prepared to stop bulldozers from land clearing.

Byron Shire Council states it is powerless and must abide by a decision made by the Northern Rivers Planning Panel.

It is up to the community to save Wallum.

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Mitchell Galbraith from Ocean Alley at Wallum, Brunswick Heads
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