



Oregon COASTAL NOTES

Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association

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Legislative Update

The 2016 Legislative Session has been dominated by debates around bills that would have a lasting and profound impact on Oregon's Coast. Housing, minimum wage, renewable energy standards and how to allocate tax revenue have all been actively debated. These large bills have overshadowed

smaller but important bills such as a bill that would encourage a county-led collaborate effort in the creation of wetlands in Tillamook County, one that would create a low income loan program for onsite septic system repairs or replacements, and budget discussions for funding of the P MEC/SETS research and testing sites. In two weeks the 2016 Legislative Session will be over but OCZMA has an opportunity to prepare and weigh in on these important issues in 2017. I look forward to working with all OCZMA members over the coming months on these important issues.

- Tim Josi, OCZMA Chair and Tillamook County Commissioner

Ocean Salmon Meeting Notice: Feb. 25

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's 2016 Ocean Salmon Industry Group meeting (OSIG) is scheduled for Thursday, February 25, 2016. This pre-season planning meeting will provide an early look at the 2016 salmon forecasts, and develop Oregon preferred recreational and commercial ocean salmon fishing concepts to take forward through the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) regulation setting process. The OSIG meeting will be held in the downstairs meeting room at the Hallmark Resort, 744 SW Elizabeth Street, Newport. [Read more...](#)



EPA Webinar on Feb. 25 to Highlight Scientific Report Showing U.S. Coastal Waters a Mix of Good and Fair Health

Join the EPA on Thursday, February 25 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern for a Webcast presenting results from EPA's recently released [National Coastal Condition Assessment 2010 report](#). The Webcast will provide a brief overview of the National Aquatic Resource Surveys that provide information on lakes, rivers and streams, coastal waters and wetlands. [Register...](#)



Oregon Fish and Wildlife Funding Task Force Meets Feb. 29 at State Capitol

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The legislative task force on Funding for Fish, Wildlife and Related Outdoor Recreation and Education will hold its second meeting at the State Capitol on Monday, Feb 29 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Room HR 50. [Read more...](#)



NOAA seeks applications for \$9 million in community-

based habitat restoration

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As part of its efforts to promote healthy ecosystems and resilient coastal communities, NOAA is announcing the availability of \$9 million in Community-based Restoration Program funding for coastal and marine habitat restoration in 2016. [Read more...](#)



NOAA announces six community resilience grants totaling \$4.5 million

Improved regional preparation, response to coastal hazards top goal

NOAA's National Ocean Service awarded \$4.5 million in coastal resilience grants on February 4, 2016, with plans to award another \$4.5 million in grants later this year. The local community grant recipients are required to add an additional \$2.4 million in matching funds. [Read more...](#)



Oregon Sea Grant soliciting applications for NOAA aquaculture grants

Oregon Sea Grant is soliciting applications for NOAA Sea Grant Aquaculture Research Program grants for 2016, which is open to researchers from institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, commercial organizations and state, local and Indian tribal governments. Proposals must be submitted by March 10, 2016. [Read more....](#)



U.S.F.W. Service Announces Over \$20 Million in Grants to Conserve Coastal Wetlands

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Dan Ashe today announced over \$20 million will be provided to 28 projects in 12 coastal states to protect, restore or enhance more than 10,000 acres of coastal wetlands and adjacent upland habitats under the National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program. [Read more...](#)



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