

AGENDA

7th Annual Cape Perpetua Land-Sea Symposium

November 21, 2019

Yachats, Oregon—Yachats Commons, 441 Highway 101 North

The Cape Perpetua Land/Sea Symposium is a community event aimed at promoting local stewardship efforts and raising awareness about current research being conducted within the Cape Perpetua nearshore and adjacent watersheds.

Event Goals:

- Raise awareness of historical and current conservation, research and stewardship of Cape Perpetua region
- Foster and promote a sense of place and stewardship within the community for the Cape Perpetua region
- Promote volunteer opportunities and local organizing to support long-term management and conservation for the Cape Perpetua marine reserve
- Create opportunities for people to collaborate on conservation activities within the Cape Perpetua region, especially those focused on the Cape Perpetua marine reserve.

5:00pm – 5:15pm

Doors Open

5:15pm – 5:20pm

Welcome and Introduction

What makes this place special, why we are here, and what we hope to accomplish.

5:20pm – 5:30 pm

Welcoming Address

Representative Caddy McKeown – Oregon Legislature

Coastal leaders will provide an update on coastal legislative issues, budget and revenue forecast.



KEYNOTE

5:35pm – 6:20pm

PISCO: Insights into Coastal Ecosystem Dynamics and Conservation Biology

Bruce Menge, Distinguished Professor, Wayne and Gladys Valley Endowed Professor of Marine Biology

Menge will share what PISCO has learned about how intertidal and subtidal ecological communities have responded to climate and anthropogenic changes, their role in communicating relevant knowledge to policymakers and managers, and PISCO's work in training new generations of students at the interface between science and management. Menge will touch on sea star wasting and recovery, and the importance of long-term research for marine reserve design.



SOCIAL MIXER

6:20pm – 6:45pm

Refreshments will be served as attendees have an opportunity to visit themed tables and explore volunteer opportunities in research, recreation, citizen science, and education and outreach in the Cape Perpetua marine reserve.

PRESENTATION SHORTS

6:50pm – 7:05pm

Engaging Change : Welcome to Oregon State Parks

Paul Reilly, Coastal Region Program Coordinator, Oregon State Parks & Recreation



The Oregon demographic is changing rapidly, and we aim to be as welcoming as possible to all user groups. Often, this is a difficult endeavor as we are working against our blind spots and assumptions. Leadership at Oregon Parks and Recreation Department have provided space for staff to define and employ the Engage, Relate and Adapt philosophy with surprising results. I'll share some of our successes and failures and ultimately engage with the audience to discuss barriers and how we can come together to remove them.

7:10pm – 7:25pm

Rocky Shores Update

Charlie Plybon, Surfrider Foundation, Oregon Policy Manager



The Territorial Sea Plan: Part 3, also known as the Rocky Habitat Management Strategy, aims to be Oregon's coordinated strategy for managing and balancing Oregon's coastal rocky habitat resources. The strategy is currently being updated to incorporate the best available science, public input as well as to develop a new designation process for special management areas. During this talk, Charlie Plybon, Chair of the working group responsible for drafting the update, will be joined by the Department of Land Conservation and Development staff to give an informational presentation on the update process, and how members of the public can get involved in the upcoming designation proposal process using an online interactive mapping tool.

3 MIN LIGHTNING ROUNDS

7:30pm-7:33pm

Marbled Murrelets: Enigma of the Pacific

Kim Nelson, OSU, Senior Faculty Research Assistant



The Marbled Murrelet is the last bird species in North America to have its nest found. Kim will explore the elusive behavior of this enigmatic forest nesting seabird, aptly called the "fog lark" by early scientists and loggers. Come hear about the unique ecology of one of Oregon's most interesting seabirds.

7:35pm-7:38pm

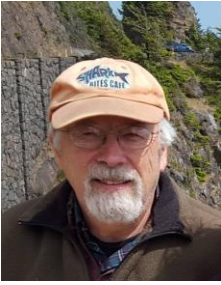
Oregon Black Oystercatcher Project

Joe Liebezeit, Staff Scientist & Avian Conservation Manager, Portland Audubon



Black Oystercatchers are a species of conservation concern. Learn how community scientist in Cape Perpetua and across the coast are helping to better project this iconic bird of Oregon's rocky shoreline habitats.

7:40pm-7:43pm



Why are Sea Otters Extinct in Oregon?

Robert Bailey, Coastal Advocate and Board Member of the Elakha Alliance

The Elakha Alliance is an Oregon-based nonprofit organization dedicated to restoring sea otters and the health of Oregon's nearshore marine ecosystem. Bob Bailey, will quickly explore the disappearance of sea otters on the Oregon coast.

7:45pm-7:48pm



Stressed and slim or relaxed and chubby?

Leigh Torres, Assistant Professor, OSU Hatfield Marine Science Center

Simultaneous assessment of Oregon gray whale body condition and hormone variability, within the context of the current Unusual Mortality Event of gray whales along the west coast region.

7:50pm – 8:15pm **PANEL DISCUSSION: Q & A**
All presenters

8:15pm – 8:30pm **SOCIAL MIXER**
Drinks and Food, Mingle Posters/Tables

8:30pm **ADJOURN**
