• THE OREGON OCEAN ALLIANCE •

The Alliance is a group of eight founding member organizations who work collectively to advance the protection of Oregon's ocean and coastal ecosystems. Our geographic scope includes federal and state ocean waters, and coastal habitats such as estuaries and beaches.



Our 2024 Priorities:

OCEAN HABITAT PROTECTION

Rocky Habitats

 Oregon's rocky habitats are biologically, culturally, and economically important-yet stressed by climate impacts and visitor use. The Rocky Habitat Management Strategy was recently updated and 8 new sites were designated under the program. We are working to ensure sufficient state capacity and public stewardship to manage these sites effectively.

Kelp and Eelgrass Conservation

• These marine plants are immensely important in stabilizing our shorelines, storing carbon, and supporting biodiversity and fisheries. These essential habitats have been on the decline in Oregon, so we advocate for the state to act to increase protections and support restoration.

Who we are:





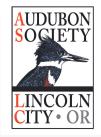
















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Marine Reserves

 Oregon's Marine Reserves Program protects marine biodiversity while facilitating long-term scientific monitoring to understand changes to our nearshore ecosystems, coastal communities, and fisheries. We advocate for continued growth and funding of Oregon's most successful conservation program.

Heceta Bank

• Located about 35 miles off the coast of Florence, Heceta Bank is one of the most biologically rich ecosystems on the Pacific coast. Yet, few Oregonians know of this special place. We aim to educate and raise public awareness for this invaluable ocean ecosystem.

OCEAN CONSERVATION FUNDING

We advocate for increased and new sources of funding to benefit ocean conservation. This interest area encompasses federal, state, and private funding opportunities. We believe investing in our marine environment will help build a more resilient coast for all Oregonians.





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