

**Threatened/Endangered/Protected Species/Species of Concern sighted at or near Cape Blanco State Park**

<u>Higher Taxon</u>	<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Status*</u>	<u>Notes</u>
INVERTEBRATE S	Red Abalone	<i>Haliotis rufescens</i>	Species of Concern	Harvest totally prohibited in Oregon until at least 2021; (sport take only without scuba in N. California; no Oregon or California commercial fishery).
FISHES	Green Sturgeon	<i>Acipenser medirostris</i>	F T	Catch and release only
	S Oregon/N California Coast Coho Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	F T	
	Pacific Eulachon/Smelt	<i>Thaleichthys pacificus</i>	F T, S Se	Southern DPS (distinct population segment)
	Chinook salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	F T	These species have been sighted in the Elk River near Cape Blanco
BIRDS	Black Brant	<i>Branta bernicla</i>	Se	ODFW strategy species list
	Harlequin Duck	<i>Histrionicus histrionicus</i>	Se	ODFW strategy species list
	Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	Se	ODFW strategy species list
	Black Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus bachmani</i>	“USFWS species of high conservation concern” Se	Declines in nesting pairs. Species may act as an indicator of intertidal ecosystem health. Species conservation requires limiting human disturbance, and protecting core habitats on the south coast where much of the population resides (Liebezeit et al. 2020). Also an ODFW strategy species.
	Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	Se	ODFW strategy species list
	California Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis californicus</i>	Se	ODFW strategy species list
	Marbled Murrelet	<i>Brachyramphus marmoratus</i>	F T, S T, Se	Species-distinctive “keer” calls detected at site, also recorded multiple times in the Cape Blanco eBird checklist
	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Se	ODFW Strategy species list



MAMMALS	Sea Otter	<i>Enhydra lutris</i>	S T, F T	Occasional scout males reported in the area. River otters, <i>Lontra canadensis</i> , also have been observed to move through the area and forage in nearshore rocky habitats.
	Gray Whale	<i>Eschrichtius robustus</i>	S E	Observed near Cape Blanco
	Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	S E, F E	Observed near Cape Blanco
	Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	S E, F E	Likely migrant through area
	Orca Whale	<i>Orcinus orca</i>	F E	Southern Resident DPS, likely migrant through the area
	North Pacific Right Whale	<i>Eubalaena japonica</i>	S E, F E	Likely migrant through area
	Blue Whale	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>	F E, S E	Likely migrant through area
	Sperm Whale	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	S E, F E	Likely migrant through area
	Sei Whale	<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>	S E, F E	Likely migrant through area

\* F – Federal; S – State; Se – Sensitive; T – Threatened; E – Endangered (under Federal or State Endangered Species Act).