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Dear Rocky Habitat Working Group and Ocean Policy Advisory Council,

I am writing as a native Oregonian, and one who grew up on the Oregon Coast (graduated Newport Senior High School in 1974). I have spent countless hours along the areas that are under consideration (Ecola, Cape Lookout and Cape Foulweather in particular). It is from this place of long-term habitation that I write with the following suggestions (requests):

- Do not evaluate proposals based on funding or the capacity of agencies' programmatic support for implementation - the proposals were developed to help shape long-term efforts to improve site management. *The rocky habitat plan clearly states that proposals cannot be rejected based on funding or capacity concerns.*

- Follow the recommendation that DLCD use an objective evaluation rubric similar to other state agency frameworks - objective evaluation processes are essential to any state-run public proposal process and will help minimize the politicization of the process that has emerged.

- I recommend strong consideration for 6 of the 12 proposals that have gotten significant stakeholder and community support, expert input, and include clear long-term goals and objectives. These include: Ecola Point MCA, Chapman Point MCA, Cape Lookout MCA, Cape Foulweather MCA, Coquille Point MG, Blacklock Point MCA, Cape Blanco MRA, and Crook Point/Mack Reef MCA. Six of these sites were recommended for designation in the original 1994 Rocky Habitat Management Strategy so now is time for the State to follow through.

Sincerely,

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"Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less." --C.S. Lewis