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In 1913 Oregon Governor Oswald West, made Oregon beaches State Highways to preserve them from private ownership.
In 1967 Tom McCall gave Oregon it's access to the Pacific Ocean as his legacy.
Now in 2010 supporters of the Cape Falcon Reserve are trying to take that legacy from the people of the State of Oregon. They do not understand what we have and the natural protections these areas have. The surf, cold water, barnacles, weather, cliffs and the distance from harbors and boat launches all protect the Marine Habitat. I am a waterman, surfer, Merchant Marine Officer and fourth generation Oregonian and know every foot of the coast from Seaside to my home in Nedonna and have seen little change other than restrictions in the 50 years I have been using this area.
Inshore fish stocks have been strong and catch limits have been increased. The Seal populations in the rookery south of Cove beach have increased and are protected by the cliffs. Sea Birds are undisturbed on the rocks and cliffs of Cape Falcon.
We do not need another Reserve or protected area. We have the entire Oregon Coast set aside and preserved.
The entire coast is protected by agencies which monitor and protect it.
NOAA, the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration conducts scientific studies.
ODF&W, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife conducts scientific research and sets catch limits, monitors and enforces laws.
EPA, enforces OPCA-90, NPDES and the CWA, Clean Water Act.
MARPOL, is the International Convention which prevents pollution from ships and is signed by 98% of shipping countries.
Oregon State Parks administers shore side use.
Oregon State Police conduct shore side and marine enforcement.
USCG, the United States Coast Guard monitors and enforces the laws protecting the Oregon Coast.
The above agencies currently perform those functions that the Reserve or protected area would encompass.
We do not need the label of "Marine Reserve or Protected Area" the cost and the redundant layers that it would create. .
Let us keep the Legacy which we have received intact for future generations.
I understand the "ego" value this has to those who think they are the ones that are "saving" habitats.
Sincerely

Greg Gosser

PS Just today they set this up at Barview Jetty….$10 bucks to go to the beach. “ I don’t want to swim in some roped off sea” and yes you are part of it. This will be your legacy.

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