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**PORT MEETING SCHEDULE**

Regular Meeting, April 28, 2009  
6:00 p.m., Port Conference Room

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**NOAA Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration  
Project Grant Application**

The Port of Newport, in conjunction with Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) as its consultant, has applied for \$13,599,922 in grant funds to remove the Pasley and Hennebique, the two concrete ship hulls that form the base for the terminal dock. The grant application is part of a NOAA stimulus grant proposal through the NOAA Restoration Center, which was given \$170 million nationwide to offer in grants for restoration projects that would generate jobs. If the grant is awarded, the funds would be managed by the Oregon Wildlife Heritage Foundation (OWHF), a fiduciary agent. The Port's current contractors for the terminal renovation project, KPFF Consulting Engineers and Natt McDougall Company, would work with the Port, ODFW, and an independent third party manager to keep the restoration aspects of the work at the terminal separate from the construction of the new dock. Newport's local and distant water fleets depend on the terminal facility for year around moorage and work space to unload and change out fishing gear, so construction would be in two phases keeping a working dock available through the entire project. If the grant is awarded to the Port, the final permitting process would start immediately with in-water work to begin November 1, 2009.

**International Terminal Project Update**

The Port of Newport hired West Coast Marine Cleaning to deploy 600 feet of hard containment boom around the stern and bow of the SS Pasley. The boom was deployed on March 31 as a preventive counter measure, in case oil is released from the concrete hull before it can be stabilized or removed. The Port is leasing the yellow containment boom, which is held in place by ship anchors. The Port also put up signs on the outboard hull warning boaters to stay at least 50-feet away from the Pasley due to its deteriorating condition.

Four underwater dives were conducted in March to seal a breach in the Pasley's starboard fuel oil tank with underwater epoxy putty to control flooding. Plans are now being made to remove any oil found inside.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

04/08—Fishermen’s Forum, 8:30 a.m., Port office  
04/09—Rep. Kurt Schrader Meetings, Activities Room, South Beach Marina, 4:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.; YBYC Clubhouse, 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  
04/09—Full Moon  
04/12—Easter  
0414-17—Pacific Coast Congress Conference, Best Western Agate Beach Inn  
04/28—Regular Port Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Port Conference Room  
04/29—Ports Day at the Capitol, Salem



Survival Suit Races  
Blessing of the Fleet 2009  
(Photo by Pete Dale)

**Report From The Shipping Terminal**

There were 41 fishing vessels at the terminal docks during the month of March. Four of those vessels are from Newport’s distant water fleet, with more Alaska boats to come.

Foulweather Trawl is working on new shrimp nets for the local fleet. Most of the shrimp boats have their gear on but the season, which usually starts April 1, has been delayed this year.

Foulweather Trawl is also tuning up whiting nets. Work has been going on at the Trident Fish Meal Plant all winter, to get that facility ready for the upcoming Pacific whiting season.

J. Lamb Marine Electric has been working on some of the local fishing vessels.



F/V Chevelle  
(Photo by Pete Dale)

**The South Side**

Occupancy at the Marina and RV Parks has been down slightly but this year's spring break occupancy was about the same as last year. The waiting list for the Fourth of July weekend is filling up fast and marina office staff is already taking reservations for the summer season.

Progress continues on the dock repair and rebuild of H-Dock. The project will be featured as part of the host activity during the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Coast Congress Conference April 14-17. The conference session, entitled "Nuts and Bolts: Keeping Floats Afloat", will include a tour and inspection of the dock repair project led by South Beach Harbormaster Chris Urbach.

Park hosts Clay and MaryLou Moore are back at South Beach for another busy summer season.



**The North Side**

Independent fish buyers kept the north side operations crew busy through the month of March, but the quantity of crab has dropped off as the number of crab pots coming back into the storage lot has grown.

Jim Durkee and Kent Gibson attended an 8-hour HAZWOPER refresher course in Portland on March 20. Ray Carel and Harbormaster Kevin Bryant are scheduled for the same course on April 24.

**Congressman Kurt Schrader to Hold Town Hall Meeting**

Congressman Kurt Schrader will hold a town hall meeting at 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, at the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, 750 SE Bay Blvd., Newport. Schrader will meet with fishermen and the general public to discuss the 2009 commercial fishing season. Topics included in the discussion will be past salmon season closures, the Pacific Fishery Management Councils recommendations for the 2009 season, and what congress can do to help make Oregon's fishing industry more sustainable and economically viable.

Prior to the meeting at the Yacht Club, Congressman Schrader will meet with Lincoln County elected officials at the activities room at the Port of Newport Marina and RV Park registration office. That meeting will take place from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

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Oil Boom Deployed at the Terminal  
(Photo by Pete Dale)

### **Port of Newport to Host Pacific Coast Congress Conference**

The Port of Newport will host the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Coast Congress (PCC) of Harbormasters & Port Managers conference April 14-17, 2009. The conference will be held at the Best Western Agate Beach Inn.

Host activities this year will include a tour of the Hatfield Marine Science Center, the Oregon Coast Aquarium, and the Rogue Ales brewery. Transportation to South Beach and admission to the Aquarium will be sponsored by Kennedy-Jenks, KPFF Consulting Engineers, and the Natt McDougall Company. The conference will feature discussions on economic impacts on boating and marina operations, as well as a historical perspective of the PCC over 35 years. PCC was founded in Newport in 1974 and has grown from 7 members to 150.

