Volunteers Needed for Beach Cleanup

Coos Bay, Ore. – Anyone interested in sprucing up area beaches is invited to Bastendorff Beach and the North Spit of Coos Bay on Saturday, September 25. Volunteers are needed to help pick up trash and pull noxious weeds at both sites.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Oregon State Parks, and SOLV are combining their National Public Lands Day event and the Great Oregon Beach Cleanup to improve the area beaches. The event runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Those interested in helping at Bastendorff Beach are asked to meet at the new restroom facility near the beach to check in and receive work assignments. Volunteers for the North Spit cleanup should meet at the BLM’s North Spit boat ramp.

Individuals, families and community groups of all ages are welcome. All tools, safety equipment, and materials for the projects will be provided. Volunteers should wear outdoor work clothes and bring sunscreen and water.

In appreciation for their work, volunteers will receive a T-shirt, snacks and a coupon to return for a “fee free” day any time in the next year at any fee site managed by the BLM, National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

For more information on the event at the North Spit, contact Bob Golden with the BLM at 541-751-4280. Please contact Robin Sears with Oregon State Parks at 541-297-7089 for additional information on the Bastendorff Beach cleanup. Additional information on both events can be found online at www.publiclandsday.org or www.solv.org

About BLM
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