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Celebrate National Public Lands Day at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area

Newport, Ore. –In celebration of the 22nd annual National Public Lands Day, the Bureau of Land Management's Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area will host a fee-free day on **Saturday, September 26**. Entrance fees will be waived. Special activities, presentations and volunteer opportunities will be available throughout the park.

Last year, 2,132 public land sites, across all 50 states, hosted National Public Lands Day (NPLD) events. More than 175,000 people maintained trails, planted trees, cleaned up shorelines, and controlled invasive species.

At Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area, on Oregon's central coast, hour-long service projects will occur throughout the day, along with educational activities both indoors and out. Please join us to learn and contribute to your public lands!

Volunteer Projects Schedule: Meet at the Interpretive Center unless otherwise noted.

9:00 am:	Ivy Pull
10:00 am:	European Beach Grass Pull
11:00 am:	Native Seed Collection
12:00 pm:	Native Planting
1:00 pm:	Wayside Beautification
3:00 pm:	Beach Clean-up (meet at Cobble Beach)
4:00 pm:	Work in the Lighthouse Keeper's Historic Garden

Other Educational Opportunities:

Puppet Show: "The Battle of Plastic"

Performances at 11:15 and 2:00 pm. Come watch Sandy Seal and her friends deal with an ocean of plastic while learning good ocean stewardship techniques.

Lighthouse Tours will occur hourly on Saturday between 11:00 am and 4:00 pm. Sign-ups for the 40-minute programs start at 10:00 am in the Interpretive Center.

For more information about National Public Lands Day or to find a site near you, visit:

<http://www.publiclandsday.org/>

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The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land, the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's mission is to manage and conserve the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations under our mandate of multiple-use and sustained yield. In Fiscal Year 2014, the BLM generated \$5.2 billion in receipts from public lands.

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Historic Lighthouse Keeper's Garden Beds, 2015



Park Ranger Will George entertains the crowd during the puppet show, 2015.



Results of an Earth Day invasive weed pull, 2015.

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