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Restore Habitat, Restore Birds on the Oregon Coast International Migratory Bird Day 2015

Newport, Ore. – On Saturday, May 9, Lincoln County will celebrate “Restore Habitat, Restore Birds” as part of International Migratory Bird Day. Bird walks and family-friendly activities will be hosted at an array of coastal locales from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All ages and abilities are welcome, and many activities will be offered in Spanish and English. Visitors will enjoy unique opportunities to witness local and migratory birds in their native habitats. Come learn and get involved with helping to maintain healthy habitats for our feathered friends.

Activities: From 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Beaver Creek State Natural Area, Beverly Beach State Park, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Oregon Coast Aquarium, or Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area will offer hands-on activities. Most of the events are free and open to the public. For a complete list of the activities visit: <http://imbdlincolncounty.wordpress.com/>

Guided Bird Walks: Join local experts in a guided bird walk along the coast!

- 8 - 10 a.m. Marsh, Woodland and Meadow Bird Walk, at Beaver Creek State Natural Area
- 9 - 10 a.m. Birding by the lighthouse, at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Shorebird and Estuary Walk, at Hatfield Marine Science Center
- 3 - 4 p.m. Seabird Watches, at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area

Birds Talk: Learn more about some of the migratory birds found on the Oregon coast.

- 2:30 p.m. “Adaptations and lifestyles of shorebirds and seabirds,” at Oregon Coast Aquarium
- There is an entrance fee at the Oregon Coast Aquarium, all other locations are free.*

International Migratory Bird Day is a global campaign to inspire people of all ages to get outdoors, learn about birds, and take part in their conservation. Environment for the Americas, the home of International Migratory Bird Day, connects educators, festival organizers, and birders by providing information and educational materials about birds and bird conservation from Canada to South America. To find out more about Environment for the Americas and International Migratory Bird Day events, please visit www.birdday.org.

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