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Yaquina Lighthouse Century Bike Ride Has Openings

*Newport, Ore--*Yaquina Wheels Bicycle Club is sponsoring the Yaquina Lighthouse Century Ride on Saturday, August 21, 2010. Registration is open to 200 riders. All cyclists start and end at the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area. The Friends of Yaquina Lighthouses, a non-profit supporting restoration of the Lighthouse, is a cosponsor of the ride and is providing staffing for registration, coffee, and an information booth. The ride route will pass both historic lighthouses in Newport and will follow picturesque views of Oregon's coastline, rivers, and coastal mountains.

A perennial favorite with Oregon riders, the bike ride has 50 spots available. The BLM is providing parking for riders, restrooms, and opportunities to see and learn about the natural and cultural resources at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area.

For more information about joining the ride: <http://yaquinawheels.org/>

For more information about Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/yaquina/index.php>

About the BLM: The BLM manages 245 million acres of public land known as the National System of Public Lands. The lands are primarily located in 12 Western states, including 75 million acres in Alaska. With a budget of about \$1 billion, the bureau also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.

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