

# Recreational Crabbing Now Open Along Entire Oregon Coast

## Clatsop beaches closed to razor clam harvesting

The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) announce recreational crabbing is now open for the entire Oregon Coast, free of restrictions. Crab samples taken from the area of Cape Blanco, north of Port Orford, to the California border indicate that levels of the marine biotoxin domoic acid have dropped below the closure limit. Two consecutive tests below the limit are required to open a closed area.

When cooking crab, it is always

recommended that crab be eviscerated and the guts, or butter, discarded prior to cooking. When whole crab are cooked in liquid, domoic acid may leach into the cooking liquid. It is recommended to discard the cooking liquid, and do not use it in other dishes, such as sauces, broths, soups, roux, etc. The consumption of crab viscera is not recommended.

ODA and ODFW will continue monitoring marine biotoxins in crab and shellfish to ensure the concentrations remain below the closure limit.

For up-to-date recreational shellfish and crabbing information, call

ODA's shellfish safety information hotline at (800) 448-2474 before crabbing or clamming or visit the ODA recreational shellfish biotoxins closures webpage.

For commercial crabbing, ODA and ODFW have lifted the requirement that all crab harvested from Cape Blanco to the California border be eviscerated (gutted). An evisceration requirement will remain in place for all crab harvested from any area outside of Oregon with crab viscera samples for domoic acid of 30 ppm or higher, which includes all crab harvested off California at this time. For commercial crabbing information visit the ODA commercial crab biotoxin information webpage.

In other coastal news, ODA and ODFW announced the closure of recreational and commercial razor clamming from the Columbia River to Tillamook Head (south of Seaside). Recent shellfish samples taken from the area indicate levels of the marine biotoxin domoic acid have risen above the closure limits.

Recreational and commercial razor clamming is also closed from Cape Blanco to the California border for elevated levels of domoic acid toxin. Razor clamming remains open from Tillamook Head to Cape Blanco. Mussel and bay clam harvesting is open along the entire coast.

ODA will continue to test for shellfish toxins twice per month, as tides permit. Reopening of an area requires two consecutive tests, at least one week apart, with all results below the limit.

For more information call ODA's shellfish safety information hotline at (800) 448-2474, the Food Safety Division at (503) 986-4720, or visit <https://www.oregon.gov/oda/programs/foodsafety/shellfish/pages/shellfishclosures.aspx>.



## Correction

Vernonia's Voice mistakenly ran an incorrect ad for Wauna Credit Union in our March 21, 2019 issue on page 14. The published copy advertised a promotion which was only valid during the month of February. Vernonia's Voice apologizes for any confusion this mistake may have caused and sincerely regrets this error.

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## Church Directory

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Sunday Schedule:  
Sacrament Meeting: 10:00 am  
Sunday School & Primary: 11:20 am  
Relief Society, Priesthood and Young Women: 12:10 pm  
Roger Cook, Branch President  
1350 E. Knott Street  
503-429-7151

### Grace Family Fellowship

Sunday School: 9:00 am  
Worship Service: 10:30 am  
Thursday Prayer: 6:00 pm

Greg "Mac" McCallum, Pastor  
957 State Avenue  
503-429-6790

### Nehalem Valley Bible Church

Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 10:45 am  
Tues. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 am  
Wednesday Service: 7:00 pm  
Sat. Men's Prayer Meeting: 6:30 am  
Gary Taylor, Pastor  
500 North Street  
503-429-5378

### Open Door Gathering Place

Service: Sunday 6:00 pm  
Grant Williams, Pastor  
375 North Street  
503-702-3553

### St. Mary's Catholic Church

Sunday Mass: 12:00 pm  
Fr. Josh Clifton, Administrator  
960 Missouri Avenue  
503-429-8841

### Vernonia Christian Church

Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Worship Service in Youth &

Family Center: 11:00 AM  
[www.VernoniaChristianChurch.org](http://www.VernoniaChristianChurch.org)  
Sam Hough, Pastor  
410 North Street  
503-429-6522

### Vernonia Seventh-day Adventist Church

Sabbath (Saturday) Services  
Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
Worship Service: 11:00 am  
[www.VernoniaSDAC.org](http://www.VernoniaSDAC.org)  
Larry Gibson, Pastor  
2nd Avenue and Nehalem Street  
503-429-8301