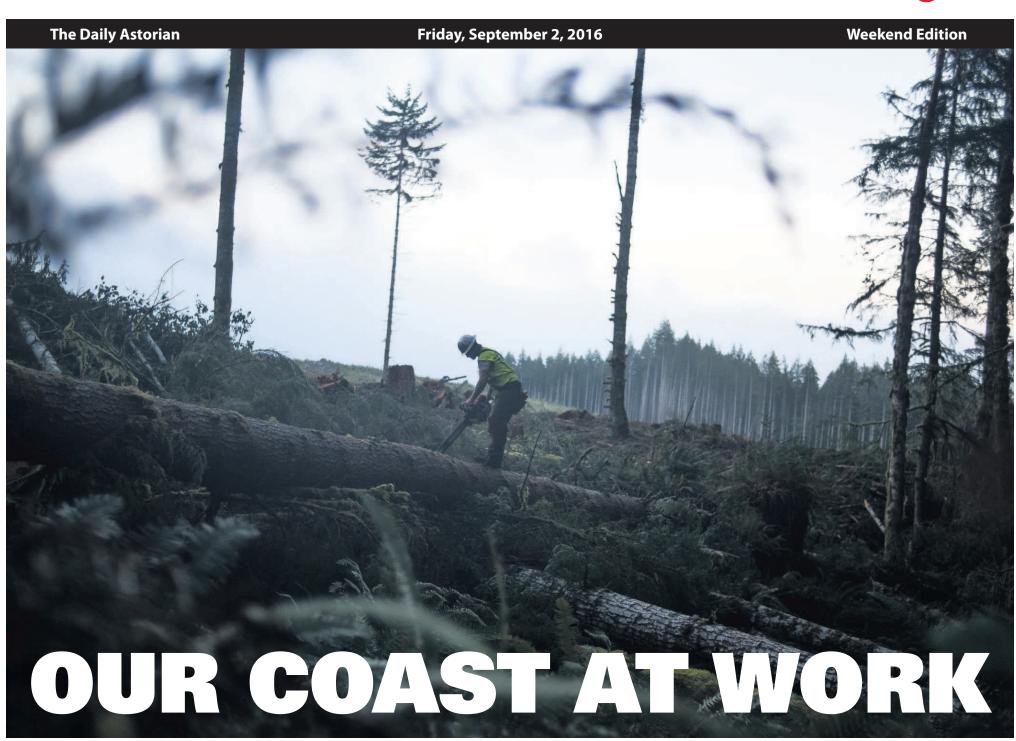
FRIDAYEXTRA!





ABOVE: Mark Fick releases his gillnet into Youngs Bay as the salmon season opens. Fick, who was born and raised in Astoria, started fishing in 1977. TOP: Jesse Browning slices branches off a tree after cutting it down while working on a J.M. Browning logging operation near Knappa. Jesse, the son of owner Jay Browning, has been logging for 17 years in the family business. "I grew up around it, and my kids have grown up around it," he said.





LEFT: A gillnet fisherman collects a fish into his boat on Youngs Bay in Astoria. RIGHT: Jesse Browning hikes uphill carrying his chainsaw after cutting trees near Knappa. Browning and others start their workday at 5 a.m. during summer months as the sun rises.

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or Labor Day weekend,
we turned our lens to the
workers who make the
Columbia-Pacific thrive.

From the brewers at Buoy Beer who begin making their first batch at 5 a.m. in Astoria, to the loggers who chase the sunrise on dirt roads in the woods near Knappa.

We capture the nurse at Columbia Memorial Hospital who comforts each of her patients, and the brave men and women of the U.S. Coast Guard who keep our waters safe.

We recognize small businesses like Astoria Shoe Fix that provide some of the only leather repair work for miles, to large companies like Lektro Inc. in Warrenton that have made a global mark.

This is our coast at work.

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