

Coastal erosion gnaws at Cape Disappointment

Beach could be restored with dredge spoils

By **TOM BANSE**

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Coastal erosion is chewing away at one of the Northwest's most popular recreation areas. It's threatening the main campground and other amenities at Cape Disappointment State Park, which has the second most camper visits in the Washington State Park system.

Darrel and Connie Newton of Vancouver, Washington, had advance warning of the shoreline erosion at the Cape Disappointment campground. But the Newtons were still shocked by what they saw when they arrived for a month-long stint as campground hosts.

"Last year when we were here, there was a whole bunch of trees and we couldn't see the ocean. This year, everything's wiped out and we have view property now," Darrel Newton said with a laugh.

"The beach is leaving us," Connie Newton added. "We're losing the park."

Storm waves swallowed a barrier dune and claimed 10 oceanfront campsites out of more than 200. Trees killed



Dale Beasley shows trees killed by saltwater intrusion and erosion that previously fronted the Cape Disappointment State Park campground.

by saltwater now litter Benson Beach.

Dale Beasley, president of the Columbia River Crab Fisherman's Association, is alarmed too. He's pitching a solution with a possible dual benefit. He proposes the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers replenish the beach with sediment from the ongoing dredging of the nearby river channel.

"Put it on the beach at at least the rate that we're losing it," he said. "Being so close to the campground right now, we would want at least for a couple of years to accelerate that and build a barrier dune so the campground doesn't disappear here."

Beasley foresees a side benefit from the Corps avoiding offshore dumping where the

dredge spoils could smother crabs that fishermen want to catch.

"We're open to pursuing opportunities for erosion control and continuing to discuss the best options for sediment placement," said Army Corps spokesman Tom Conning in Portland.

There is a precedent for the Army Corps to replenish

Benson Beach, the stretch of shoreline fronting the ocean at the Cape Disappointment campground. Beasley recalled that the corps deposited a massive amount of silt and sand onshore as part of a Columbia River dredging contract in 2010.

Beasley has a notion of starting a "Save the Park" movement that would culminate with the inclusion of money in the next Army Corps of Engineers budget to place fresh sand onto Benson Beach.

Meanwhile, Washington State Parks said it's working on a climate change adaptation plan for all of its coastal properties. Stewardship Manager Lisa Lantz said the plan will guide where to make investments and where to relocate visitor facilities.

But a perceived lack of urgency among government agencies aggravates Beasley. He said one fierce storm as soon as next winter could wipe out much of the big campground, giving new meaning to Cape Disappointment.

"I was surprised at how much erosion we had last winter on a mild winter," Beasley said. "If we got another winter like we had in 2007, where we had a prolonged storm and vicious seas on high tides, then you'll get massive erosion."

Shoreline erosion is typ-

ically a wintertime phenomenon on the Northwest coast when storm surges, high tides and high waves compound one another. Spring and summer currents sometimes return sand to the beach in a reverse process called accretion.

The park campground has more than 200 sites for RVs and tent campers along with 14 yurts. Camping reservations were completely sold out for all of the Memorial Day weekend.

The campground hosts, the Newtons, said it is typical for the large facility to be fully booked every weekend in season. Cape Disappointment recorded 117,453 camping nights in 2017, according to a state parks spokeswoman, second only in number to Deception Pass State Park.

Some of the attractions at Cape Disappointment, including two iconic lighthouses and a Lewis and Clark interpretive center, are securely located on top of or behind headlands out of reach of the ocean.

Around 1 mile to the north, coastal erosion is threatening to sever the Discovery Trail, a popular paved bike trail from Ilwaco to Long Beach. Where the trail curves out of forest to meet the dunes it used to be more than 30 feet from the beach. But now it's at the water's edge at high tide.

State eases rules on building officials

By **PARIS ACHEN**

Capital Bureau

SALEM — The state has rolled back a new regulation that threatened to effectively shut down the building programs of dozens of small municipalities by requiring them to hire a building official and an electrical inspector within a matter of weeks.

Many small cities and a few number of counties use third-party building and electrical inspectors to conduct building programs because the municipalities cannot afford to hire their own.

The rule would have halted that practice.

The decision came after pushback from city officials and state lawmakers who were concerned about the effect the new regulation would have on building new housing and economic development, especially in light of the state's affordable housing shortage.

"I have become concerned that the division's temporary rule, while certainly a good faith effort to address the serious and legitimate policy and legal concerns, may have adopted a policy approach broader than strictly necessary to bring municipal inspect programs into legal compliance," Cameron Smith, director of the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, wrote in a May letter to cities.

The state Building Codes Division repealed the temporary rule that upped the certification building officials are required to have and the requirement that cities hire an electrical inspector.

The division approved a new rule that still requires cities to have a building official on staff. The division also has postponed all building program renewals until July 2019. Cities could continue to operate with third-party inspectors until that point but would do so at their own risk.

"I understand that while we wait for the Attorney General's Office to prepare an authoritative legal ruling, there will remain doubt about the legality of municipal inspection programs that use private inspectors," Smith wrote. He recommended that cities seek advice from their attorneys.

CITY OF CANNON BEACH City Attorney Services REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The City of Cannon Beach invites qualified individuals or firms to submit proposals to provide City Attorney Services based upon the scope of work contained in the Request for Proposals. The intent is to select one individual or firm to provide services with the probable exception of bond counsel services. Sealed proposals, in writing, will be received by Colleen Riggs, Assistant City Manager, City of Cannon Beach, until Friday, June 1st, 2018 at 3:00 pm local time. Facsimile or electronically transmitted proposals will not be accepted.

The complete Request for Proposals is on file with and may be obtained from Colleen Riggs at 163 E. Gower St., PO Box 368, Cannon Beach, OR 97110, or by e-mail at riggs@ci.cannon-beach.or.us, or by calling 503-436-8052. The Request for Proposal can also be obtained from the City of Cannon Beach's website <https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us>



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A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2 KATU	(4)	KATU News at 6 (N)		Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel Fortune (N)	Roseanne	The Middle	Black-ish	Black-ish	Splitting Up	Splitting Up	KATU News (N)	(3:5) Jimmy Kimmel
3 KOMO	(2)	KOMO 4 News (N)		Wheel Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Roseanne	The Middle	Black-ish	Black-ish	Splitting Up	Splitting Up	KOMO 4 News (N)	(3:5) Jimmy Kimmel
6 KING	(5)	NBC News (N)	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	America's Got Talent "Auditions 1" (SP)	(N)	Bull "Witness for the Prosecution"		WorldDance "The Qualifiers 1" (SP)	(N)	KING 5 News (N)	(3:5) Tonight Show
6 KOIN	(5)	KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Fake It 'Til You Make It"		Bull "Witness for the Prosecution"		NCIS: New Orleans "Viral"		KOIN 6 News (N)	(3:5) Colbert
6 KIRO	(7)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Jesse Jones (N)	NCIS "Fake It 'Til You Make It"		Bull "Witness for the Prosecution"		NCIS: New Orleans "Viral"		KIRO News (N)	(3:5) Colbert
8 KGW	(2)	KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)		Tonight Cassidy	Inside Edition	America's Got Talent "Auditions 1" (SP)	(N)			WorldDance "The Qualifiers 1" (SP)	(N)	KGW News (N)	(3:5) Tonight Show
9 KRCV	(3)	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	The Flash "The Flash Reborn"		The 100 "Eden"		News at 10 (N)	Friends Pt. 1 of 2	Two and a Half	Two and a Half
10 KOPB	(10)	Ask-Old House	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)		American Experience "The Chinese Exclusion Act" (N)				Frontline "The Gang Crackdown"		Pacific Heartbeat	Being Bruno Banani"
12 KPTV	(12)	6 O'Clock News (N)		Family Feud	Family Feud	Beat Shazam "Episode One" (SP)	(N)	Love Connection "Episode One" (SP)	(N)	10 O'Clock News (N)		News (N)	Page Six TV
13 KPDX	(3)	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's News (N)		9 O'Clock News (N)		Family Guy	American Dad!	The Game	The Game
13 KCQP	(13)	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Beat Shazam "Episode One" (SP)	(N)	Love Connection "Episode One" (SP)	(N)	Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N)		News (N)	The Simpsons
20 TBS	(20)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The Last O.G.	Conan	
28 KZJO	(28)	Friends	Friends	WNBA Basketball	Washington Mystics at Seattle Storm (L)			Q13 News at 9 (N)		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half	Two and a Half
29 ESPN	(29)	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
30 ESPN2	(30)	NBA Finals Preview (N)		To Be Announced		NBA: The Jump (N)		Around the Horn	Interruption	First Take The hottest topics in sports are debated.		Friends	Friends
31 NICK	(31)	The Loud House	The Loud House	Keep It Spotless	Bunk'd	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
32 DISN	(32)	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced		DuckTales	Gravity Falls	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
34 FAM	(34)	(4:30) *** The Blind Side '09	Tim McGraw, Sandra Bullock	(4:45) *** The Notebook	(2004, Romance) Rachel McAdams, Gena Rowlands, Ryan Gosling.								The 700 Club
35 FMC	(35)	(5:00) *** Prisoners	(2013, Thriller) Jake Gyllenhaal, Viola Davis, Hugh Jackman.	(10) FXM Presents *** Prisoners	(2013, Thriller) Jake Gyllenhaal, Viola Davis, Hugh Jackman.								(4:40) FXM Presents
36 LIFE	(36)	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
39 ROOT	(39)	Mariners Access	MarinersPre-game	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Seattle Mariners	Mariners Site: Safeco Field - Seattle, Wash. (L)					Post-game		MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Seattle Mariners	
43 F51	(43)	(5:00) UFC UFC 203				MLB Whiparound (L)		TMZ Sports (N)	Skip and Shannon:	Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.		Speak for Yourself	
43 SPIKE	(43)	Mom	Mom	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Ink "Every Rose Has Its Thorn" (N)		** Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull '08	Harrison Ford.		
44 COM	(44)	(1:15) The Office	(5:00) The Office			Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0 (N)	Jim Jefferies (N)	The Daily Show (N)	The Opposition (N)
45 HIST	(45)	Forged in Fire "The Pata"		Forged in Fire "Judges Pick"		Forged in Fire "The Naval Cutlass" (N)		Forged in Fire "The Horseman's Axe" (N)		(05) Hunting ISIS "Into the Fray" (P) (N)		(05) Forged Fire "The Horseman's Axe"	
46 A&E	(46)	Casey Anthony's Parents Speak				Mary Kay Letourneau Mary discusses her forbidden relationship and more. (N)		(05) Cults and Extreme Belief		(05) Cults and Extreme Belief		(05) Little People "A Learning Curve"	
47 TLC	(47)	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Welcome to the Family		Little People "There's No Plan B" (N)		Little People "A Learning Curve" (N)		(05) The Family "Birds and the Bees" (N)		(05) Little People "A Learning Curve"	
48 DISC	(48)	Deadliest Catch "Arctic Hurricane"		Deadliest Catch: On Deck		Deadly Catch "Coast Guard Heroes" (N)		Deadliest Catch (N)		Exp. Unknown "Pyramid of Legend"		To Be Announced	
49 NGEO	(49)	American Mob "Rise and Fall of Gotti"		The '80s "Masters of the Universe"		The '80s "Tear Down These Walls"		The '80s: The Decade "Super Power"		Genius "Picasso: Chapter Seven"		Genius "Picasso: Chapter Seven"	
50 TNT	(50)	(5:30) *** Star Wars: The Force Awakens	(2015, Action) John Boyega, Harrison Ford.			Daisy Ridley.		Animal Kingdom "The Killing" (SP)	(N)	Animal Kingdom "The Killing" (SP)	(N)	Law & Order "Excalibur"	
51 AMC	(51)	(5:30) *** Fantastic Four	(2005, Action) Jessica Alba, Chris Evans, Ioan Gruffudd.			** Escape Plan	(2013, Action) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jim Caviezel, Sylvester Stallone.			(3:5) *** The Rock '96, Action	Nicolas Cage, Sean Connery.		
52 USA	(52)	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE Super Smackdown		Chrisley Knows (N)	The Cromarties (N)	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
53 FOOD	(53)	Chopped "Big Bitters"		Chopped "Fake Cake, Real Stakes"		Chopped "The Light Stuff"		Chopped "Surf And Turf" (N)		Chopped "Flavor Savor"		Chopped "Cocktail Party"	
54 HGTV	(54)	Fixer "School Spirit Spurs Home Search"		Fixer Upper		Fixer "Flip House to Family Project"		Good Bones "The Little Brick House" (N)		Hidden Poten (N) House Hunters (N)		House Hunters	House Hunters
56 FX	(56)	(4:00) The Equalizer	Denzel Washington.	**** Straight Outta Compton	(2015, True Story) Corey Hawkins, Jason Mitchell,	O'Shea Jackson Jr..		Legion "Chapter 17" (N)		Legion "Chapter 17" (N)		Legion "Chapter 17"	
57 CNN	(57)	Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
58 FNC	(58)	Hannity		The Ingraham Angle		Fox News @ Night		Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The Ingraham Angle	
61 CNBC	(61)	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		The Profit "Mr. Cory's Cookies"		The Profit "Pacific Hospitality"		The Profit "The Soup Market"		Paid Program	
63 BRAV	(63)	Vanderpump Rules "Secrets Revealed"		Below Deck "Ciao, Napoli!"		Below Deck "A Perfect Storm"		Below Deck: Mediterranean (N)		Sell It "A Broker's Breaking Point" (N)		Watch What	Below Deck
64 TCM	(64)	(1:15) *** Confessions of Boston Blackie	Chester Morris.	*** Boston Blackie	Chester Morris.	(4:45) ** Boston Blackie	Goes Hollywood	Chester Morris.		After Midnight With Boston Blackie		(1:15) Bulldog Drummond	
65 SYFY	(65)	(5:15) *** Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory		*** Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	(05, Adventure) Freddie Highmore, David Kelly, Johnny Depp.			Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama
162 RFD	(162)	(5:30) Cattleman	Women's Rodeo	Downunder Horseman.		Chris Cox	Rural Eve. News	Ag PhD		Cattleman to Cattlemen (N)		Women's Rodeo	Product Showcase

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