

# ODFW announces art competition for 2016 stamp

SALEM — The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife announced the annual art competition to select artwork featured on the 2016 Habitat Conservation Stamp, Waterfowl Stamp and Upland Game Bird Stamp. The winning artist in each contest will receive \$2,000.

Entries will be accepted Aug. 28, until 5 p.m., on Sept. 25, 2015, at ODFW headquarters,

4034 Fairview Industrial Blvd., in Salem.

A five-member panel will choose the winning artwork after which all entries will be available for public viewing at an event announced later in the year. Artwork is used to produce a collector's stamp and other promotional material.

### Habitat conservation stamp

Art entries must feature one of 19 mammals chosen by

ODFW from the Oregon Conservation Strategy or Oregon Nearshore Strategy.

The list of species can be found on the entry form. Proceeds from the program benefit Oregon's native species and habitats. Entry information.

### Upland game bird stamp

Art entries must feature California quail in its natural habitat setting.

The sale of upland game bird stamps funds game-bird research, wildlife surveys, habitat improvement and conservation projects.

Entry information is at [www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/upland\\_bird/contest/docs/2016\\_upland\\_rules\\_entry.pdf](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/upland_bird/contest/docs/2016_upland_rules_entry.pdf).

### Waterfowl stamp

Art entries must feature one of the following species in its

natural habitat setting: Black Brant, Common Merganser, Greater Scaup or Dusky Canada Goose.

The sale of waterfowl stamps also funds game bird research, wildlife surveys, habitat improvement and conservation projects.

Entry information is at [www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/waterfowl/contest/docs/2016\\_waterfowl\\_rules\\_entry.pdf](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/waterfowl/contest/docs/2016_waterfowl_rules_entry.pdf).



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# Marine Board seeks public input on 'No Wake' markers

SALEM — The Oregon State Marine Board is accepting written public comment now through Tuesday, April 21, on proposed rulemaking for "Slow — No Wake" and "Waterway" markers.

Staff will host a public hearing April 21, at 6 p.m., at the Marine Board Office, 435 Commercial Street NE, in Salem. Following the close of the hearing, the Marine Board will convene a board meeting to discuss the proposed rules.

The board may make a motion to adopt, amend, not adopt or take some other action with regard to the proposed rules.

The proposed rulemaking to OAR Chapter 250 will add a definition of "Slow — No Wake," amend the basic rule to comply with the definition, and amend the local and special area rules to standardize the rule language and remove the reference to "maximum" and "5 mph" in relation to "slow —

no wake" speed.

The proposed rulemaking for waterway markers will describe the characteristics and standards for regulatory and informational markers (buoys and signs) used on the waters of this state that convey official messages to boat operators.

Additionally, the rules will establish procedures for public bodies and individuals to apply for a permit to place approved waterway markers of their own (those markers not placed by

the U.S. Coast Guard or the Oregon State Marine Board).

These existing rules and definitions have been carefully considered and vetted by two external advisory committees and law enforcement marine patrol over the last two years.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments on the proposed rule language.

The comment period closes April 21, at the close of hearing.

Written comments are sub-

mitted by email to [osmb.rulemaking@state.or.us](mailto:osmb.rulemaking@state.or.us) or by U.S. mail to:

June LeTarte, Administrative Rules Coordinator, 435 Commercial Street NE, Suite 400, P.O. Box 14145, Salem, OR 97309-5056.

Comments will not be accepted by telephone.

To review the hearing notice and proposed rule language, visit [www.oregon.gov/OSMB/Pages/admin/OSMB\\_Rulemaking\\_Newpage.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/Pages/admin/OSMB_Rulemaking_Newpage.aspx).

## View from 1B

in America.

It never ends with those guys. They make a kajillion dollars a year, but they want more and more and more. They can't be happy with just making Fenway into the greatest experience it can be.

No ... they have to blame

dark forces like the Yankees.

That is why they must move to some saccharine suburb and ruin the whole thing for everyone.

That brings us to Wrigley Field, which was somehow transported to Yemen on opening day. The unfinished bleachers were covered with a blanket, and there were no bathrooms.

Not even Porta Pottys.

I used to cover up my laundry piles in college with a blanket so my girlfriend wouldn't see them, but then I wasn't a baseball exec.

And even the smallest festival director in whatever small town around say, Glenview, knows that people go to the bathroom after drinking beer in the sun.

What is the matter with the Cubs organization?

Seriously.

What is it about you that has gone so terribly wrong for so terribly long? How many times have you made Bill Murray cry? You know, according to "Back to the Future Part II," this is the Cubs' year, so you're making Michael J. Fox look bad on top of it all.

How do you sleep at night, Cubs management?

It doesn't matter. I see the White Sox and Nationals as the top contenders for the throne ... the Dodgers in that mix, too.

But October is a long way off. We all know what the beginning of summer is for: Stanley Cup hockey!

Baseball can wait.

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## Fishing from 1B

the spring months as lake temperatures start to rise and fish begin spawning. Anglers will start finding more fish up in the shallows over the next month.

### SIUSLAW RIVER:

#### Steelhead

The winter steelhead fishery is starting to slow down for the season but decent numbers of fish are still around the Whittaker Creek area. The river should fish well later in the week as the river levels being to drop. Lake Creek typically clears up more quickly.

### ALSEA RIVER: Steelhead

The winter steelhead fishery is slowing down for the season down but fair numbers of fish can still be found in the upper river, especially after a rain event. Native fish tend to be prevalent this time of year. Casting lures, bobber and jig/bait or drifting beads along the bottom can be effective techniques.

### SILETZ RIVER: Steelhead

Steelhead fishing is slow to fair. Fish are being caught in most sections depending on river conditions. This time of year tends to produce a good percent of native fish and/or post spawn fish. Typical steelhead tactics apply such as side drifting, bobber and jig / bait, or casting spoons or spinners.

### WILSON RIVER:

*Steelhead, Chinook*  
Winter steelhead fishing should be slow to fair. Last weekend's rain brought good numbers of fish into the system. Fish will be holding ups as flows are low. Bank anglers can find success throughout the river. Boaters should fish the lower drifts until more rains come. Use lighter gear in the clear water. Spring Chinook fishing opens April 1, but few fish will be present for several weeks.

### YAQUINA RIVER:

*Steelhead*  
The winter steelhead fishery is slow in the Big Elk. The fishery is typically very slow for the rest of the season.

Anglers are advised to watch for private property. Typical steelhead fishing tactics apply but the Big Elk is bed rock dominated and does have a lot

of snags.

### UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH:

#### Steelhead

Fish have been caught in the Canyonville area and hatchery fish have been reported. The hatchery program for winter steelhead is centered in the South Umpqua, which offers the best chance for catching an adipose-fin clipped steelhead for harvest. Most hatchery fish are caught from Canyonville downstream.

All wild fish must be released unharmed. Plunking should be good at places such as **LAWSON BAR, MYRTLE CREEK** and behind Seven Feathers. The water has been low making it harder for long boat drifts, but still suitable for bank anglers.

### COOS COUNTY LAKES AND PONDS: Trout

Trophy trout were stocked last week in Bradley Lake and Johnson Mill Pond. Legal-size and trophy trout were also stocked last week in Empire Lakes. Legal size trout were stocked in the past month in **BRADLEY LAKE, SAUNDERS LAKE, POWERS POND, MINGUS PARK POND, and JOHNSON MILL POND.**  
Trout are biting on bait fished near the bottom or lures like spinners or spoons. There are several lakes like **TENMILE, EEL,** and **BUTTERFIELD** with holdover rainbow trout from last year's stocking.

### COOS RIVER BASIN:

#### Dungeness crab, bay clams, steelhead, rockfish

Steelhead fishing is open until April 30 in the Coos Basin although many anglers have put away their steelhead gear for the season. River levels have been low but there are still a few steelhead around. There is bank access on the West Fork Millicoma at the Millicoma Interpretive Center and on the East Fork Millicoma at Nesika Park. Access to the South Fork Coos River is through Weyerhaeuser property and anglers must have the appropriate permit from Weyerhaeuser.

### WINCHESTER BAY:

*Bottomfish*  
Fishing for bottomfish in the Triangle and South jetty has been successful. Crabbing

has been slow recently.

### PACIFIC OCEAN and BEACHES: Bottomfish, Dungeness crab, surf perch

The ocean is open for harvest of Dungeness crab.

Anglers continue to catch surf perch from the beaches near Bandon and Coos Bay. The best fishing is usually on the incoming tide. Sand shrimp is one of the best baits to use when fishing for surf perch.

Recreational ocean salmon season from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. is now open. The season is open for all salmon except coho salmon, with a bag limit of two salmon per day, and a minimum size for Chinook salmon at 24 inches or larger.

Fishing for lingcod has been very good in the Coos Bay and Bandon areas.

Anglers are catching lingcod in shallow and deep water. Fishing for black rockfish has been decent.

The all depth rockfish season has ended. Retention of cabezon is not allowed until June 30.

### • Salmon

Ocean recreational fishing is open for Chinook salmon from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. through April 30. This season is open for all salmon except coho salmon, with a bag limit of two salmon per day, and minimum sizes for Chinook salmon at 24 inches or larger, and steelhead at 20 inches or larger.

Anglers are restricted to no more than two single-point barbless hooks when fishing for salmon and when fishing for any other species if a salmon is on board the vessel.

Anglers fishing in ocean waters adjacent to Tillamook Bay between Twin Rocks and Pyramid Rock and within the 15-fathom depth contour are reminded that only adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon may be retained or on board while fishing prior to Aug. 1.

### • Pacific halibut

The 2015 Pacific halibut quota is approximately 1 percent greater than 2014.

Therefore, sport halibut seasons are projected to be similar to 2014. The staff-recommended season dates are on the ODFW sport halibut webpage to be finalized.

