

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER AND RESOLUTION  
NO: 14-09-30-03

IN THE MATTER OF SUPPORTING THE  
EXISTING, STATE-BASED MANAGEMENT  
STRUCTURE OF OREGON'S MARINE  
RESERVES

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that areas along the coastal portion of Lane County are now sufficiently regulated and managed by federal, state, and regional agencies charged with safe guarding and regulating wildlife populations, commercial and recreational fisheries, dunal areas, and other marine resources through science, stakeholder participation and education and outreach); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners is aware of the new Federal rules adopted by the Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (15 CFR Part 922) governing the nomination process for National Marine Sanctuaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the rules contain no requirement for who may nominate an area for consideration, other than speaking to a "community-based development of a nomination" and a demonstration of broad support from a variety of stakeholders and interested parties; and

**WHEREAS**, the December, 2006 Oregon Coast National Marine Sanctuary Proposal::Status Report, authored by the Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council and delivered to then-Governor Ted Kulongoski finds that "local governments and stakeholders generally have a lesser voice in sanctuary management" and "sanctuaries directly or indirectly get involved with management of commercial and/or recreational fisheries, mainly through gear, take, and bottom-contact restrictions, or through temporary or permanent closures"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council meets regularly and consists of a diversity of elected, agency, and industry stakeholders guided by a well-evolved legislative history and has an established and comprehensive ten-year work plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County **ORDERS and RESOLVES** as follows:

1. Lane County will continue to support the work of the Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council and will monitor their ten year work plan to further evolve the five Marine Reserves located along the Oregon Coast.
2. Lane County will monitor the work of the 2015 Oregon Legislative Assembly and will support statutory language inserting affected local elected official approval for any future National Marine Sanctuary nomination within Oregon.

**ADOPTED** this 30th day of September, 2014.

  
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Pat Farr, Chair  
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
Date 9-22-14 