



THERE'S MORE BENEATH THE SURFACE

DISCOVER THE NATURAL WONDERS OF OREGON'S OCEAN



Rocky intertidal habitats are found along the shore on the north end of the marine reserve. Here you'll find invertebrates such as mussels, sea stars, and snails as well as a variety of seaweeds. Underwater, the reserve includes the north segment of the Siletz Reef. This is an extensive rocky reef home to many species of groundfish such as canary rockfish, invertebrates such as giant plumose anemones, and seaweeds. In the North MPA, the Salmon River flows out into the ocean providing a freshwater input into the marine environment. The area around Cascade Head is a major upwelling center that creates productive waters that influence areas to the south.

VISIT CASCADE HEAD MARINE RESERVE



Visitors have many opportunities for wildlife viewing and other outdoor recreational activities in and around this area. Nearby parks include Roads End and Knight Park. Hiking trails atop Cascade Head afford views overlooking the site. Much of the land around Cascade Head and the Salmon River is protected. Nearby towns and ports include Pacific City, Otis, Lincoln City, Depoe Bay, and Newport.

TIDE POOLS

[Roads End State Recreation Site](#)

RECOMMENDED HIKES

[Cascade Head Trail](#)
[Cascade Head Preserve](#)
[Harts Cove Trail \(USFS\)](#)
[Knight Park Trail](#)

INFORMATION CENTER

[Hebo Ranger Station](#)
(503) 392-5100

TIDE POOL INFO

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VIDEO

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VIEWPOINTS

[Cascade Head Trail](#)

STATS

9.7 SQ MI

Marine Reserve

23.1 SQ MI

Marine Protected Area

2012

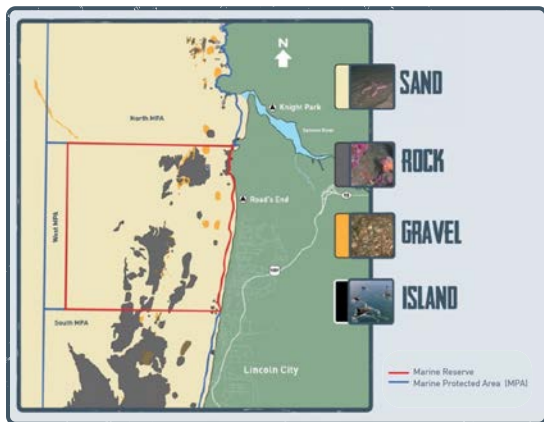
Monitoring Began

0 – 164 FT

Depth Range



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The Cascade Head Marine Reserve is located off the central Oregon coast, stretching between the Cascade Head headland and Lincoln City. The site includes a marine reserve surrounded by three Marine Protected Areas (MPAs).

PADDLING

[Knight Park \(boat launch\)](#)
[Cascade Head Sea Cave](#)

PHOTOS

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EVENTS

[Cascade Head Marine Reserve Events Listings](#)

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[BioBlitz / iNaturalist Monitoring](#)
[Black Oystercatcher Monitoring](#)
[Beached Birds Survey](#)
[King Tides Photo Initiative](#)
[Marine Debris Monitoring](#)

PARKING / PERMITS

[Oregon State Parks Pass](#)
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[Oregon Coast Pacific Passport](#)
(offers 5-day and 12-month passes)



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