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## **Coastal Coho Stakeholders to meet in Roseburg**

ROSEBURG — Oregon's Coastal Coho Stakeholder Team will meet Dec. 8 in Roseburg to continue working on conservation actions to benefit coastal coho salmon.

The stakeholder team advises both the State of Oregon and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) on Oregon's Coastal Coho Project. Members of the team represent fish conservation, fishing, private land, timber, agricultural, tribal and other interests.

The meeting is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Southwest Region Conference Room, 4192 North Umpqua Highway. Public comments will be accepted throughout the meeting.

More information about the Coastal Coho Project and the stakeholder team can be found at [www.oregon-plan.org](http://www.oregon-plan.org). The collaborative effort began last year to address conservation of coastal coho by working to:

- Assess the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds effort to conserve and rebuild coastal coho populations.
- Use the assessment to assist NOAA Fisheries with a status review.
- Use the assessment as a basis to seek legal assurances for local participants.
- Use the assessment as a foundation for developing a conservation plan for coho.

Reasonable accommodations are provided as needed for individuals requesting assistive hearing devices, sign language interpreters or large-print materials. Individuals needing these types of accommodations may call the ODFW Director's Office at 800-720-6339 or 503-947-6044 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

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