



## Tillamook County Board of Commissioners

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**May 14, 2020**

### **For Immediate Release**

On May 13, 2020 the Tillamook Board of County Commissioners voted to open Steiner and Three Rivers boat launches in addition to the (four) county boat launches that were opened last week: Nehalem Bay, Memaloose, Netarts Bay and Pacific City at Sunset Drive. The boat launches will be open Monday through Friday at 6 p.m.

Additionally, the Hungry Harbor Drive boat launch at Cape Kiwanda will be open exclusively to the Pacific City dory fleet Monday through Friday. The dory fleet will park their trucks and trailers in the Cape Kiwanda parking lot, as the beach remains closed to parking. The parking lot at Cape Kiwanda remains closed to the public; dory fleet vehicles only will be allowed.

A maximum of three persons per boat will be allowed at this time in order to observe social distancing; boaters are requested to observe the guidelines set out by the Oregon Marine Board.

Commissioners will consider the opening of additional boat launches in the coming weeks. Please see the attached board order dated May 13, 2020.

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Opening Additional        )  
Certain Tillamook County Boat            )  
Launches During the COVID-19 Local       )  
State of Emergency                         )

RESOLUTION  
#R-20-012

This matter came before the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners on May 13, 2020. The Board of Commissioners, being fully apprised of the records and files herein, finds as follows:

1. Under the emergency powers granted by ORS 401.305, on March 14, 2020 the Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #R-20-005 designating a State of Emergency within Tillamook County due to the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).
2. On March 22, 2020 the Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #20-006 continuing the emergency and closing within Tillamook County all county, state, and federal parks, all county parking lots, beach access, and certain parking areas along road rights-of-way, and all county public boat launches to non-commercial users.
3. On May 5, 2020 the Board of Commissioners signed Resolution #20-010 continuing the emergency through May 31, 2020.
4. Also on May 5, 2020 the Board opened four Tillamook County boat launches during midweek days to users with a valid Tillamook County Annual Parking Pass or Day Use Pass.
5. Although the emergency still exists, the Board deems it is appropriate to continue reopening county facilities in a safe and strategic manner.

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NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, the following are effective immediately:

6. The Tillamook County boat launches located at the following locations shall be open **Monday through Friday** for access only by users with a valid Tillamook County Annual Parking Pass or Day Use Pass.
  - a. Nehalem Bay;
  - b. Memaloose Point;
  - c. Netarts Bay;
  - d. Steiner;
  - e. Pacific City (off Sunset Avenue); and
  - f. Three Rivers.
7. The Tillamook County boat launch located at Hungry Harbor Drive shall be open **Monday through Friday** for access only by recreational or commercial dory boat operators. Dory boat operators are permitted to park trailers in the Cape Kiwanda parking lot and are prohibited from parking on the beach.
8. The boat launches will be closed at 6:00 p.m. on Fridays.
9. All commercial and non-commercial boat launch users shall adhere to the following regulations. Failure of user compliance will result in closure.
  - a. All Oregon State Marine Board regulations.
  - b. No more than three (3) occupants per boat.
  - c. Governor's order on physical distancing in parking lots, boat launches, and boats, which requires always maintaining a distance of six (6) feet.
10. All other county public boat launches remain closed to non-commercial users.
11. All county, state, and federal parks within Tillamook County remain closed.
12. All other county parking lots, beach accesses, and certain parking areas along road rights-of-way remain closed.
13. This resolution in the matter of opening additional certain Tillamook County boat launches supersedes Resolution #20-011 and shall remain in effect unless otherwise amended by the Board.

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DATED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR  
TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

Bill Baertlein  
Bill Baertlein, Chair

Aye	Nay	Absent/Abstain
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Mary Faith Bell, Vice Chair

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David Yamamoto  
David Yamamoto, Commissioner

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ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil, County Clerk

BY: Richard Hays  
Special Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William K. Sargent  
William K. Sargent, County Counsel