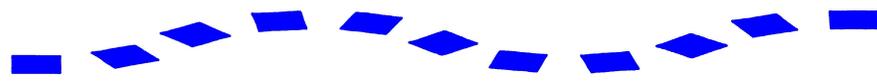


Coast Trails!



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Bylaw amendment proposal presented to membership

National Coast Trail Association board hereby provides official notice as required by bylaws

Eugene, OR – The *National Coast Trail Association (NCTA)* was founded in 1994 and our bylaws written over 20 years ago. During the last two decades things have changed, and the board and executive director have realized that the existing bylaws need to be amended to work more efficiently and effectively as an organization.

One important section that needs to be simplified in this regard is the bylaw amendment process itself. Therefore, in accordance with the existing bylaws, the *NCTA* board is offering the following amendment proposal to the membership both for their consideration and any comments or input to the board during the remainder of 2016.

"Section _____. Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. The Board of Directors may amend or restate the Articles or bylaws, and the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the entire Board of Directors is necessary and sufficient to do so. Provided, however, that only the voting members may approve amendments that relate to the number of directors, the composition of the Board, the term of office of directors, the method or way in which the directors are elected or selected, or the qualifications of voting members. The affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members participating in the vote is necessary and sufficient for the approval of such amendments. Proper written notice must be given in advance, including either a written copy or written summary of the proposed amendments."

The next annual newsletter will be sent out in January 2017 with the ballot to elect board members, and will also include the opportunity by the membership to vote on the bylaw amendment proposed, or a modification thereof based on input received.

Members may send any input through Dec. 2016 about the proposal to Al@CoastTrails.org or by mail to PO Box 2491, Eugene, OR 97402.

Oregon Coast Trail 2021 plan to be revised and printed

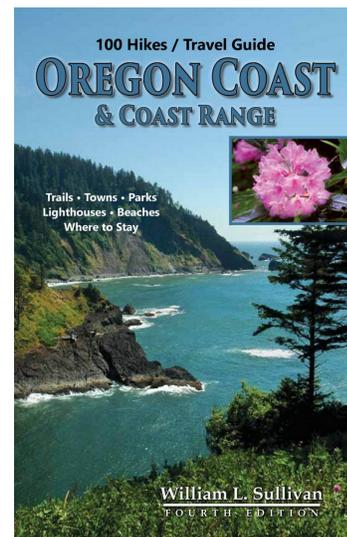
Landslide and input on plan create need for more field research and update of original plan

The *National Coast Trail Association (NCTA)* completed their plan, ***Oregon Coast Trail 2021: Final Connections, Logistics Strategy*** in Fall 2015. Since then, a significant landslide in mid-December 2015 associated with heavy rainfall completely washed away a relatively new fiberglass bridge, closing the Oregon Coast Trail just south of Yachats, Oregon. Also, input on the plan sought and received from Walt Schroeder, a former south coast resident and a recipient of the Doug Newman Award that annually recognizes significant contributions by a group or individual to trail development in the state, indicated the apparent existence of some of the plan's proposed trails as having already been developed on the south coast. All this, plus other minor edits and any other potential revisions to the existing plan, means that its expected to be updated during Spring 2016 through more field-based research and rewriting. A limited number of the finalized plan will be printed in 2016 and distributed as appropriate to key stakeholders, in addition to the finalized PDF file version.

Oregon coast hiking/travel guide released in March 2016

Expanded fourth edition provides detailed information both in book and digital formats

100 Hikes/Travel Guide: Oregon Coast & Coast Range by William L. Sullivan, in an expanded and revised fourth edition, was released in March 2016. This complete coastal guide describes hiking trails, campgrounds, towns, museums, and lighthouses from Washington's Long Beach south to California's Redwoods. It includes 122 maps, a 32-page color travel guide to coastal highlights, a guide to the Oregon Coast Trail, a color wildflower guide, a catalog of campgrounds, and a chart of the best inns and quaint hotels on the Oregon Coast. Order books at Powells.com and Amazon.com, and as an eBook for Kindle, iPad, iPhone or other devices at Amazon.



(Source: <http://www.oregonhiking.com/navillus-press/oregon-guides/100-hikes-travel-guide-oregon-coast-coast-range>)

Trail Development

OCT 2021 Plan Presentations Continue in 2016

The *National Coast Trail Association* continued to present their new ***Oregon Coast Trail 2021: Final Connections, Logistics Strategy*** plan and will continue do so throughout 2016. An extended presentation meeting in Florence with Dennis Comfort, Coastal Region Manager for the entire coast with the *Oregon Parks & Recreation Department*, and a brief one for the *Oregon Recreational Trails Advisory Council* in Salem both happened during the first quarter of the year.

Education

"6,000 Years Along the Oregon Coast Trail"

Author and hiker Bonnie Henderson notes on her website, "In support of the new edition of '***Day Hiking: Oregon Coast***,' I will be presenting several slide-talks on the history and prehistory of the Oregon Coast Trail . . ." The last presentation in the series happened in Tillamook, OR on Sunday, May 15, at the *Tillamook County Pioneer Museum*.

(Source: <http://www.bonniehendersonwrites.com/events.html>)

Conservation

Golf Course Proposal on Boy Scouts' Land

A proposal involving Mike Keiser and the *Cascade Pacific Council of Boy Scouts* to lease land to build an 18-hole golf course adjacent to the beach south of *Cape Lookout State Park*, if realized, could negatively impact the natural visual quality of the Oregon Coast Trail.

http://www.oregonlive.com/environment/index.ssf/2015/12/controversy_swirls_over_golf_d.html) Click on these story-related source links for more detailed information. <http://www.pamplinmedia.com/sl/299960-174459-does-leave-no-trace-include-a-golf-course>