



Oregon Ocean Science Trust Summit Agenda
[Gladys Valley Marine Studies Building](#) | Newport, Oregon
November 30–December 1, 2023

Summit Goal: Affirm priority coastal and ocean research and monitoring categories and develop a suite of key research questions that, if answered, will inform priority policy and management issues associated with Oregon's nearshore (territorial sea) area.

November 30, 2023

9:00am – 10:00am **Registration and Coffee Bar**

10:00am – 10:15am **Welcome and Introductions**

- Welcome, introductions by all participants— *Laura Anderson, OOST Chair*
- Review summit goal, agenda, housekeeping details — *Lisa A. DeBruyckere, Facilitator*

10:15am – 10:30am **Progress Made since the 2016 Summit & 2023 OOST Action Plan**

- OOST Board members will share progress made since the 2016 summit (research grants disbursed, diversification of funding portfolio, strategic planning, contract positions, outcomes its research influenced) —*OOST Board members*

10:30am – 11:10am **Keynote Presentations**

- Priorities for the California Current – Perspectives from the California Ocean Science Trust – *Dr. Liz Whiteman, Executive Director (CONFIRMED)*

11:10am – 11:30am **Inventory of Entities Conducting Ocean and Coastal Science, Policy, and Research in Oregon – Draft Existing and Emerging Ocean and Coastal Research and Data Needs**

- A synthesis of the current nearshore research and monitoring needs (identified from existing efforts completed to date) will be presented to lay the groundwork for breakout sessions—*Sea & Shore Solutions, LLC*

11:30am – 12:30pm **LUNCH (provided)**

12:30pm – 2:00pm **Top 3–5 Priorities for Each Category of Nearshore Research and Monitoring**

Conference attendees will participate in breakout sessions to discuss Oregon's priorities for nearshore research and monitoring described four categories in 2016.

- Distribution and abundance of nearshore species and habitats.
- Species and habitat associations and interactions that exist in the nearshore to inform ocean health (ecosystem function).
- The effects people have on nearshore resources and the effects of nearshore resources on people and coastal communities.
- The effects of climate change and ocean acidification on species and their habitats and how these key stressors will influence ecological function and species in nearshore habitats in the future.

1. Do these categories remain valid and are there additional categories or refinements/amendments to these categories?
2. What are some of the policy and management nexuses important to the science the OOST is funding and supporting?
3. What are the priorities within these categories given the policy needs of the state and the pressing management questions?
4. What are the finer level research questions within these category priorities?

2:00pm – 2:30pm **BREAK**

2:30pm – 4:00pm **Breakout Sessions (continued)**

4:00pm – 5:00pm **Breakout Sessions Report to All Attendees**

Attendees will report back on progress made responding to questions 1-2. Live polls of attendees will be taken to affirm categories.

5:00pm **ADJOURN**

6:00pm – 9:00pm **RECEPTION and DINNER at Oregon Coast Aquarium**

December 1, 2023

7:30am – 8:00am **Breakfast Bar**

8:00am – 8:30am **The State of the Science Snapshots**

Guest presenters will share the *State of the Science* on key emerging coastal and ocean issues. (TBD)

8:30am – 10:00am **Breakout Sessions (continued)**

10:00am – 10:30am **BREAK**

10:30am – 11:30am **Breakout Sessions Report to All Attendees**

Attendees will report back on progress made responding to questions 3-4.

11:30am – NOON **The State of the Science Snapshots**

Guest presenters will share the *State of the Science* on key emerging coastal and ocean issues. (TBD)

NOON – 1:00pm **LUNCH (provided)**

1:00pm – 2:00pm **Breakout Sessions (continued)**

2:00pm – 2:30pm **Breakout Sessions Report to All Attendees**

Attendees will report back on progress made responding to questions 3-4.

2:30pm – 2:50pm **Recap and Next Steps**

Summit attendees will collectively review the top 3-5 priority questions for each of the four categories and discuss next steps to support funding these coastal and ocean research projects.

2:50pm – 3:00pm **Closing Remarks and Adjourn**