





### DIVING INTO OREGON'S RESERVES

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## FIVE SITES

% State Waters



Marine Reserve









Marine Protected Area









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2016 Manzanita Lincoln City Newport Florence Coos Bay Port Orford Marine Reserve Marine Protected Area (MPA)

Brookings

Seabird Protection Area



#### **Executive Order 08-07**

House Bill 3013 (2009) • Senate Bill 1510 (2012)
OPAC Policy Recommendations



#### **Our Team**

CONSERVATION

RESEARCH

COMMUNITIES







































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CANNON

MANZANITA

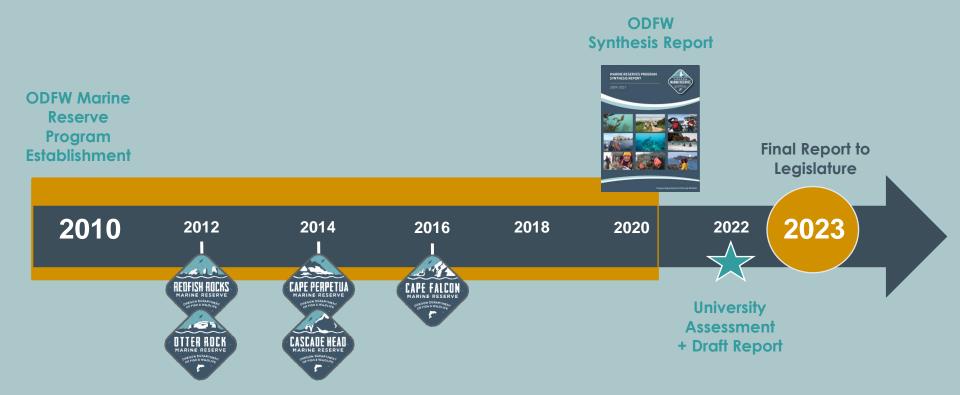
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PORTLAND

CAPE FALCON

#### Senate Bill 1510:

2023 Program Check-in

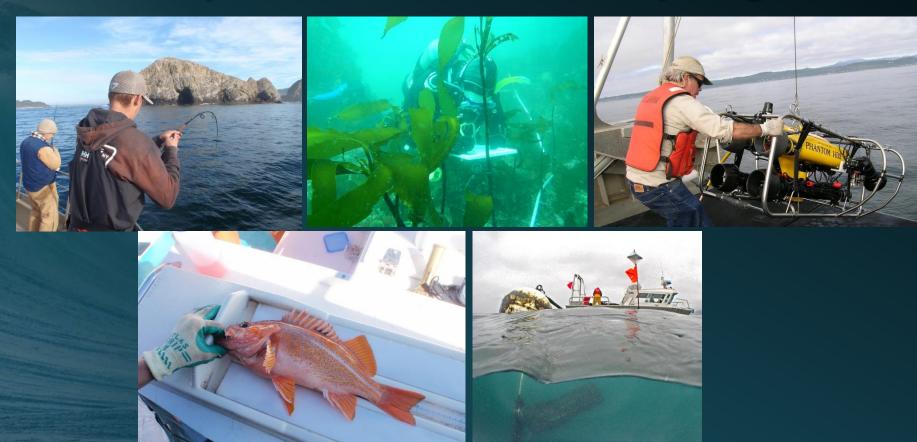


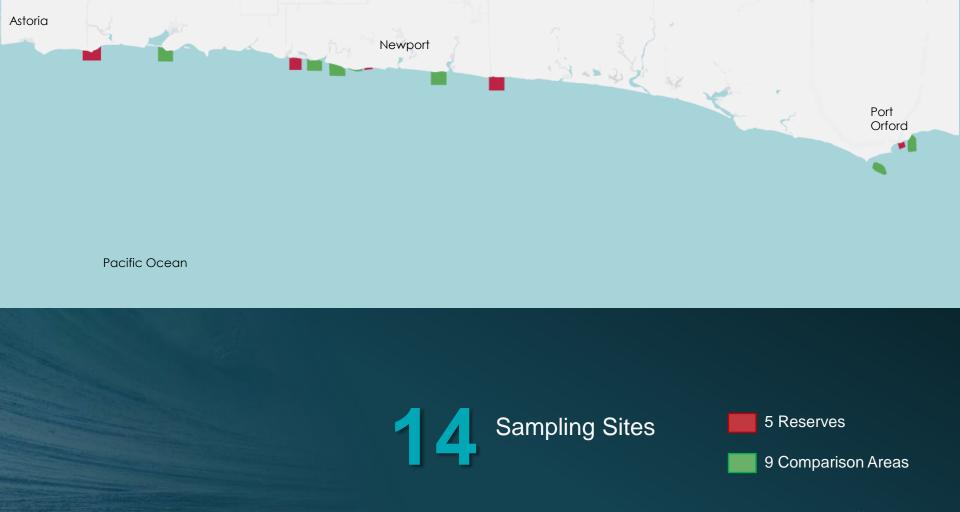


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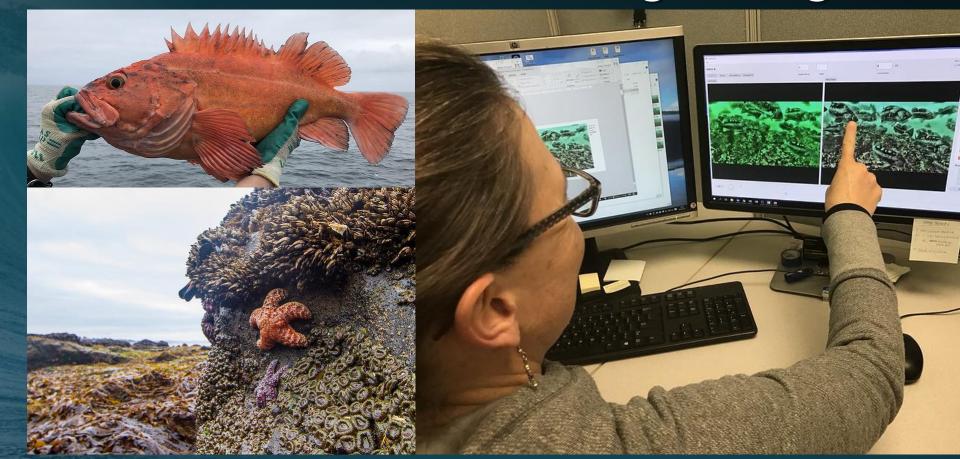


### Developed nearshore sampling tools



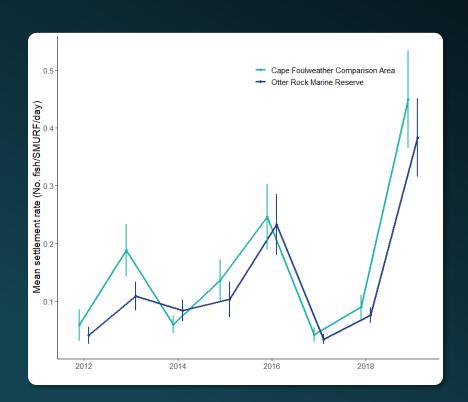


### Robust datasets for tracking change



# Similar Changes in Marine Reserve & Comparison Areas





# 2. Human Dimensions Program

Social Economic Cultural



### Developed the Constructs to Understand Change

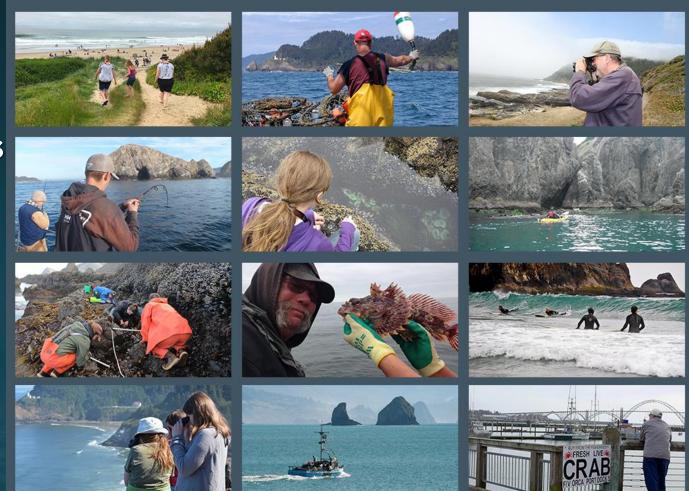
What to measure?

How do we measure it?



## 9 communities of interest

10 communities of place



# Social & Economic Impacts Vary Across Scales & Sectors



### **How Communities Differ Linked to Impacts**















### 3. Research That Matters





# Fisheries Management Informing Stock Assessments

We contributed data for Oregon from our:



Juvenile Fish Surveys



Hook and Line Surveys

### Emerging Issues Sea Star Wasting Effects



We contributed data: ESA listing of *Pycnopodia* 



Documenting impacts on 9 subtidal sea star species



# Ocean Acidification & Hypoxia



**Monitoring Data** 



Knowledge & Awareness

# 4. Opportunities to Collaborate with Fishing Industry

Vessel contracts

Input on research & survey design

Jointly funded projects

Volunteer Anglers:
Hook and Line Surveys



# 5. Outreach & Engagement: From Conflict to Good Community Partners

37 partners engaged

\$750 K in fishing vessel contracts

Volunteer opportunities

Scholarships & community events

6 outreach channels developed



# Community Groups & Partners Catalyze Engagement



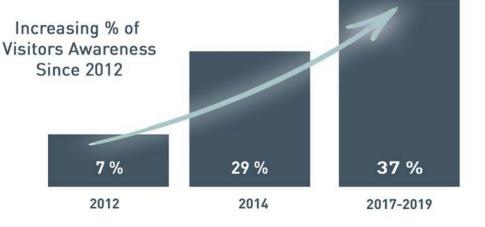




# Awareness and Support for Marine Reserves are Increasing



#### CAPE PERPETUA MARINE RESERVE AWARENESS



### Opposition is Decreasing ...

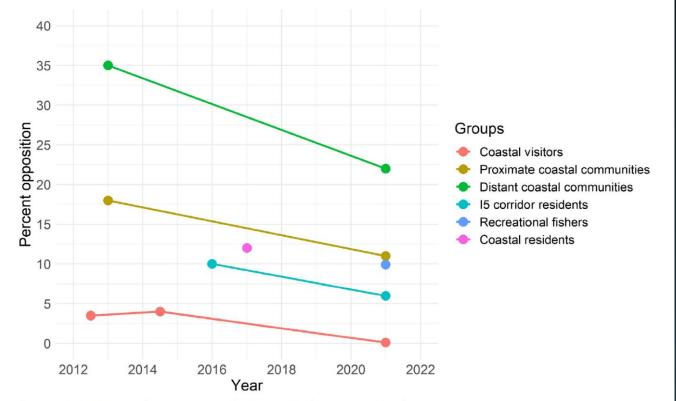


Figure 3. Percentage of survey respondents opposed to Oregon Marine Reserves.



### It Takes a Village







### Thank You



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