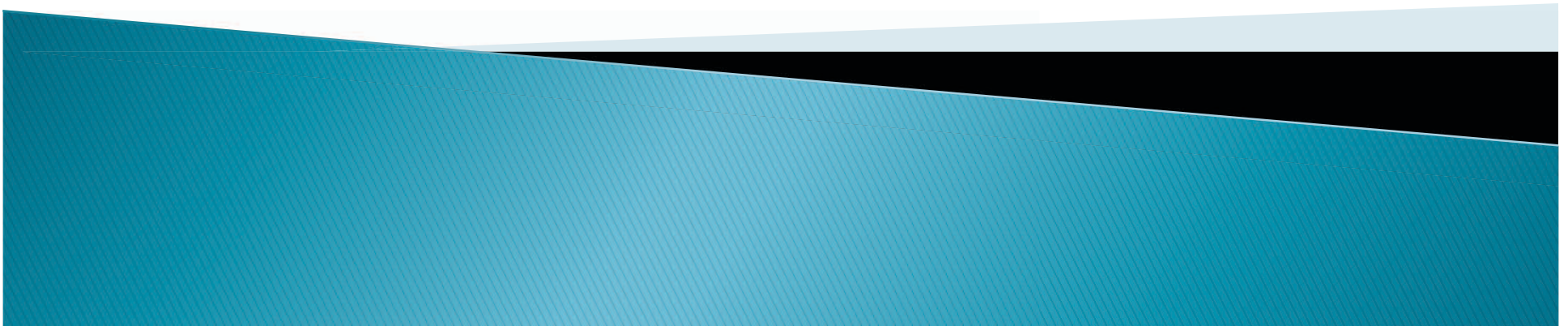


# U.S. West Coast Regional Data and Marine Spatial Planning

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The West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health identified the development of a

*comprehensive geographic database*

as a priority in its 2008 Action Plan to help develop and restore ocean habitats



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**Welcome**



"Our oceans are home to a great diversity of marine life and clean beaches and oceans are vital to West Coast fishing communities, recreation and tourism. We know that isolated local efforts cannot adequately address the breadth of degradation to our oceans. By cooperating, our three states will combine our resources and influence to make a real difference in the fight to clean and protect the oceans."  
- Governor Gregoire

**West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health**

On September 18, 2006 the Governors of California, Oregon and Washington announced the *West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health*. The Agreement launched a new, proactive regional collaboration to protect and manage the ocean and resources along the entire West Coast, as called for in the recommendations of the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy and the Pew Oceans Commission.

The Agreement seeks to advance the goals of:

- Clean coastal waters and beaches
- Healthy ocean and coastal habitats
- Effective ecosystem-based management

**Eight Final Work Plans**



May 2010 | 321 kb pdf

**Final Action Plan**



July 2008 | 6.8 Mb pdf / 2.2 Mb pdf

**NEWS!**

[Full Archive]

04/15/2011 The WCGA announces its biannual report and executive summary are now available.

Last year, in response to a federal funding opportunity for regional ocean partnerships the WCGA received many proposals develop a regional data portal and decision support tools

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### Public Comments on the WCGA Regional Ocean Partnerships Funding Program Proposal

The following comments have been submitted to the West Coast Governors' Agreement in response to the WCGA request to engage tribal governments and stakeholders in a process to identify regional coastal and marine spatial planning priorities. The WCGA plans to submit a coordinated proposal to NOAA in response to the FFO. Add your own comment on the [Contact Us](#) page.

If you have submitted a comment, it will appear after moderation by WCGA staff. If your comment does not appear within one business day, please email [comments@westcoastcoceans.gov](mailto:comments@westcoastcoceans.gov) to enquire.

Workshop documents: [Scoping Document](#) | [FAQs](#) | [Agenda](#)

We received a total of 23 detailed project ideas via the online application tool.

- 11 were submitted from CA, 8 were submitted from OR, and 4 were submitted from WA.
- Total funding requested in year 1 for all 23 projects totaled \$9.4 million.
- Total funding requested in year 2 for all 23 projects totaled \$9.1 million.

A PDF of all 23 submissions is available [here](#).

Public Comments on the NOAA Regional Ocean Partnership Grant Funding Opportunity						
Subject (expand for full Comme...	From	Organization	Ocean Interest	State(s)	Posted	
California Geological Survey	Gordon Seitz	California Geo...	Coastal and M...	California	12/03/2010	
Input from Washington Coastal ...	Key McMurry	PC MRC, WCSS...	Coastal MRCs i...	Washington	12/03/2010	
Support Sharing of Scientific an...	Samantha Mur...	Ocean Conser...	Not specified	Oregon	12/03/2010	
Need for Fisheries Data Synthesi...	Melissa Locke, ...	San Luis Obisp...	Ecosystem-bas...	California	12/03/2010	
NPC MRC COMMENT Community ...	Rich Osborne, ...	North Pacific ...	Stakeholder p...	Washington	12/03/2010	
Coordination of Regional Feder...	Lia Protopapa...	Santa Monica ...	ecosystem he...	California	12/03/2010	
NRDC Encourages Inclusion of Inf...	Leila Monroe	Natural Resour...	Ecosystem hea...	California	12/03/2010	
West Coast Sea-level Project, s...	Marti Ikehara	NOAAs NGS	Sea levels, tid...	California	12/03/2010	
NOAA Proposal for Ocean Health	Dirk Rosen	Marine Applie...	integrating exi...	California Ore...	12/02/2010	
West Coast CMSP Sea Grant Fell...	Penelope Dalt...	Washington S...	Diverse topics ...	Washington	12/03/2010	
Important Ecological Areas inclu...	Sara Maxwell	Marine Conser...	Ecosystem-bas...	California Ore...	12/03/2010	

Among these proposals was a multi-partnered proposal Dawn Wright and I put together with numerous other collaborators

**1. 1. What is the title of your idea?**

Efficiently Building on Existing and Emerging State and Regional Structures to Support Coordinated Regional Data Displays, Tools, and Processes

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**2. 3. Lead implementer: (name, organization)**

Name: - Multiple leads-- see partnerships in item 12

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State: - WA

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**1. 4. Provide a brief summary of your proposal (500 words or less):**

The NOAA Regional Ocean Partnership Funding Program provides the West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health an opportunity to build upon existing coastal atlas work at the state level and IOOS Regional Associations (RAs) work at the regional level to provide resources to the states and federal government to support informed ecosystem-based management and coastal and marine spatial planning (CMSP). This can be achieved by supporting the clear and coordinated display of regional data, promoting the interoperability and integration of existing ocean and

# West Coast Governors' Agreement staff summarized these proposed ideas in a formal proposal for Regional Ocean Partnership funding

## West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health

### Focus Area 1 Funding Request: Achieving Sustainable Coastal Communities by Advancing Regional Ocean Priorities and Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning on the West Coast

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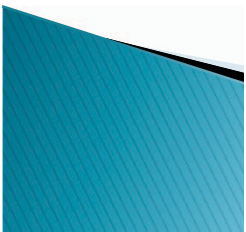


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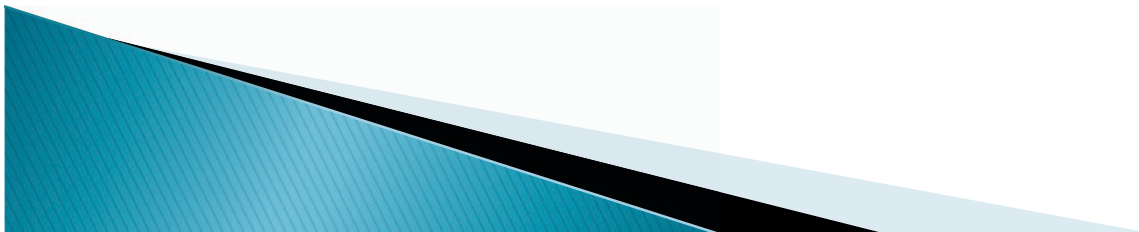
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Project Duration — 2 years



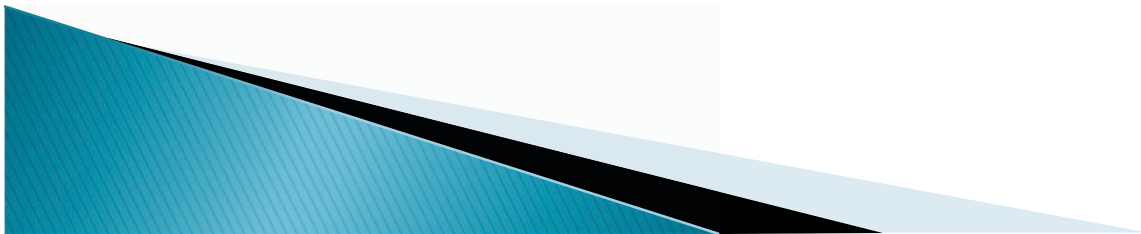
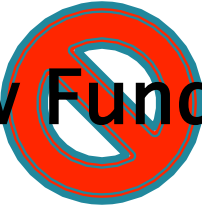
The proposal included the following objectives to support coastal and marine spatial planning

1. Develop a tri-state network for interoperable management and delivery of data needed to address regional issues identified by the WCGA Action Coordination Teams
2. Test and identify the best decision support tools to assist states and federal agencies and the WCGA in working with tribes, stakeholders, coastal communities, and partners to plan for and make decisions related to ocean uses and resources
3. Assess the status of and gather available information at state, subregional, and regional scales needed to identify important habitats, map areas of human use, and determine areas of ecological importance.

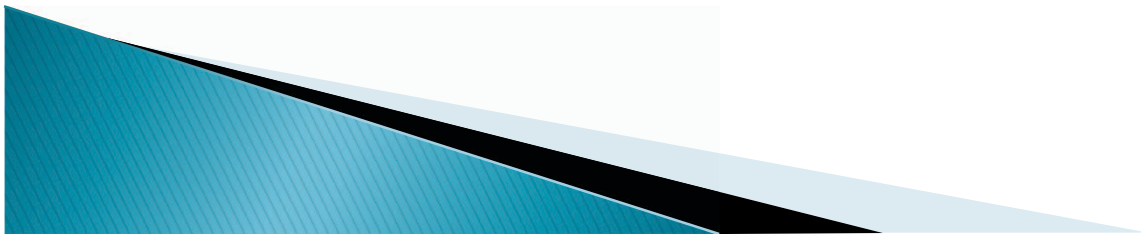


**At this time, we have no federal  
funding for this project**

**New Funding**

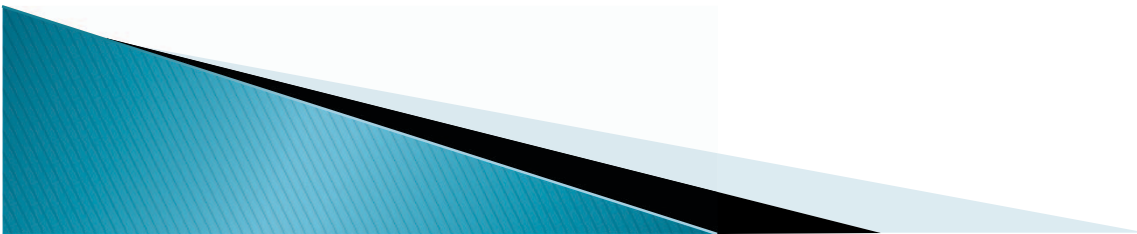


What can we do with existing  
funding and staff?



Much less than we could do  
if we had project-specific funding!

However...



Oregon  
Workshop:



## Workshop Summary

# The Oregon Coastal and Marine Data Network Workshop

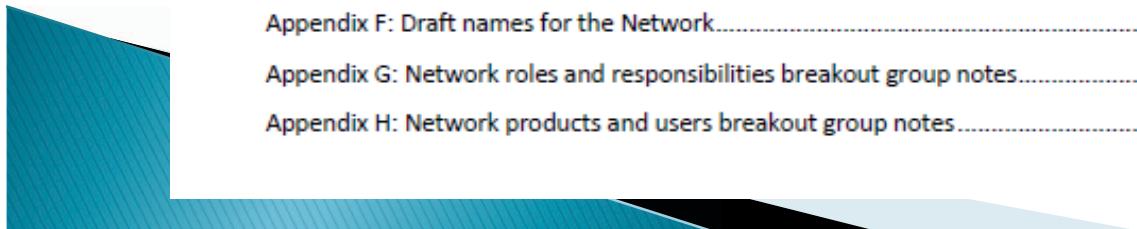
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Salem, Oregon



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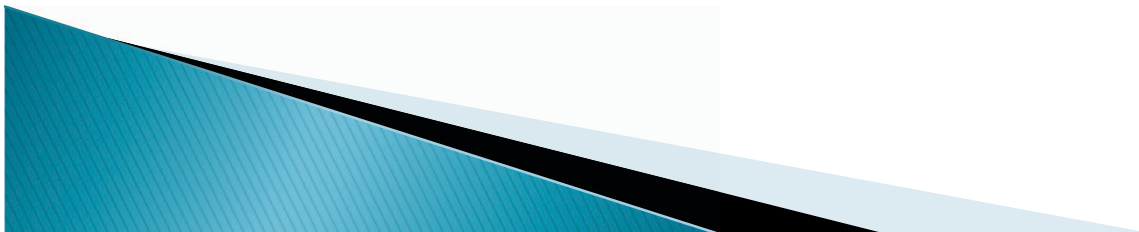
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Access to ocean and coastal geospatial, information is necessary to:

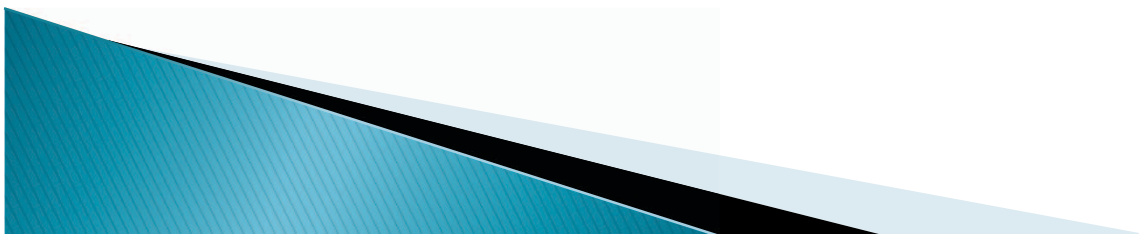
- Advance National Ocean Policy
- Achieve priority actions of the West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health
- Develop an approach to Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning for the West Coast region



West Coast Regional Ocean and Coastal Data Portal Concept  
*(currently under development with coordination from  
NOAA Coastal Services Center)*

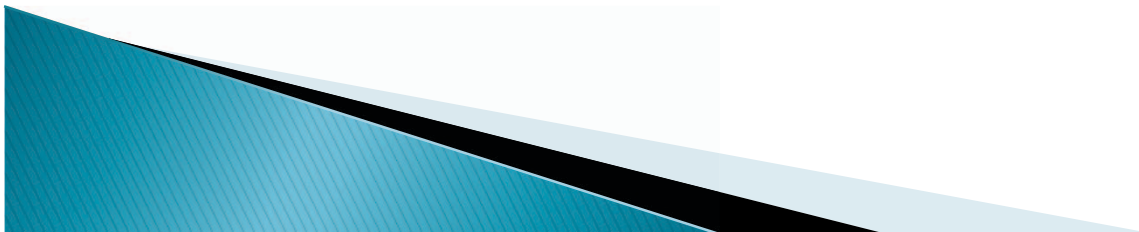
Draft Goals:

- Establish a group of data practitioners as a “human network” to provide support and the context for the data network and portal
- Draft a concept for an application to view, access, and download original data and data summary products of coastal and marine resources on the West Coast for regional planning purposes.



## Draft Goals (continued):

- Create a Regional Data Portal or Framework that provides easy access to state and regional geographic data (and metadata) and links authoritative data sources.
- Build in the capability to consume and display federal data and allow federal applications to consume and display regional data.
- Incorporate suggestions of decision support tools for non-technical users and decision makers to analyze and assess human users and resources to meet the needs of their identified planning issues.



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