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To: <u>SENR Exhibits</u>

Subject: Support bill for an ocean beach fund (SB 745)

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Dear Chair Dembrow and members of the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:

I am writing to express my whole-hearted support for an Oregon ocean beach fund (SB 745). Oregon has 362 miles of public beaches and these need ongoing maintenance and care. As a visitor to the beaches, I've regularly seen garbage that's floated in or been left behind, improperly managed camp fires, and constant activity and change at the beach that needs attention. The four rangers we've got rely heavily on volunteers to maintain the beaches and this is simply not adequate. We need to take care of this important resource, especially at a time when beach use and tourism are heavily on the rise.

Like 99.99% of Oregonians, I cannot just pick up and drive to Salem tomorrow (Monday) to be at the hearing, but I love and support our beaches.

Many thanks for keeping our interests in mind,

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