

I am in favor of the City of Depoe Bay obtaining a share of the State of Oregon's 2 billion dollars available to fund harbor repairs in Depoe Bay.

Oregon is beautiful and there is no other town in all the state as beautiful as Depoe Bay. The harbor is both the pride of the city as well as an economical necessity for our city. Many jobs depend on the harbor, and the goodwill for city is magnified by the tourists who visit and spread the word.

In my living room, there is a picture of me on a deep sea fishing boat taken just off shore in Depoe Bay in 1982. It shows a young woman, full of life and happy to be in the clear blue waters of Depoe Bay. I do remember the harbor back then bustling with activity. It should still be a safe and enjoyable destination.

They say that there is a heart of any town. I dare to say that the harbor is the heart of our fair city. Sadly, it is in major disrepair. I am pleading with the State of Oregon to consider any funds available to repair that harbor. Depoe Bay recently received national attention as the Best Harbor in the United States. It could easily obtain that honor again with the right care.

Please consider this testimonial letter when you decide where the state funding goes. I was lucky back in the early eighties to enjoy this wonderful harbor. It needs to be preserved so other people can enjoy it just like that young woman in that picture did.