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Eelgrass is a native seagrass that forms underwater meadows in Oregon's estuaries. It is one of the most productive coastal habitats on the Pacific coast; supporting biodiversity and entire marine food webs. Eelgrass meadows are recognized as Essential Fish Habitat by NOAA, because it provides nursery grounds for many important species, such as Dungeness crab, rockfish, salmon, and herring.