## **Event Announcement:** The Ocean & Climate Change-Key Coastal Issues & New Information

What: Chuck Willer of the Coast Range Association presents an overview of

Ocean & the Climate Change Issues

Where: Bay City Arts Center

When: Wednesday July 17 - 6:30PM

One year ago the Coast Range Association hosted a highly successful *Climate Forum* on global warming's impact to coastal communities. OSU climate researchers and state political leaders discussed coastal threats and current responses to the climate crisis. Since then, the *4<sup>th</sup> National Climate Assessment* was issued and a wave of new ocean related research has arrived. Additionally, various proposals and movements have appeared to address the warming climate.

## Chuck's presentation will review:

- 1. What's new in the 4<sup>th</sup> National Climate Assessment? And, what new information on Ocean impacts is now available? Recently, leading scientists issued a global warning that nations have 12 years (now eleven) to change course or else we face possible runaway atmospheric warming. What does this mean? Chuck will provide a lay person's explanation with a focus on sea level rise and ocean acidification and their potential impact on coastal communities.
- 2. In the past year dramatic new political events have occurred addressing global climate change. Nationally, 91 Senators and House members have signed on in support of a Green New Deal climate proposal. Young people are increasingly alarmed about their future prospects. What is the Green New Deal and what are the issues the youth movement demand be addressed?
- 3. A question and answer period will follow Chuck's brief presentation.

The talk is free and open to the public and promises to be timely and informative.

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