

## What's Nearby

**Fishing:** W.B. Nelson State Recreation Site at Eckman Lake is three miles east of Waldport on Highway 34. It has a picnic area and a dock for fishing.

**Boating:** The Port of Alsea in Waldport offers public boat launching, moorage and picnic facilities on Alsea Bay.

**History:** The Alsea Bay Bridge Interpretive Center, located at the south end of the bridge four miles north of Beachside, offers displays on local and transportation history.

**Sightseeing:** Visit Cape Perpetua Visitor Center (open seasonally), seven miles south of Beachside, for spectacular views. Learn more about the scenic coastline and forest.

Smoking in Oregon State Parks is allowed only in personal vehicles, RVs, campsites and portions of day use parks along state highways that are designated as safety rest areas by the Oregon Department of Transportation.

**Walking:** A <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile segment of the 804 Trail parallels a scenic shoreline in Smelt Sands State Recreation Site, four miles south of Beachside. The park is an excellent area for whale watching, fishing, and beachcombing.

Farther south, Yachats State Recreation Area has an ADAaccessible viewing platform for wave watching above its rocky shores.

Across the Yachats River, an easy onemile trail leads to a spouting horn and tide pools in the Yachats Ocean Road State Natural Site.

Beaver Creek Natural Area, located 12 miles north, has more than five miles of hiking trails. Take a walk in the marshlands to see beavers, river otters and red-legged frogs, or hike through the upland meadows that are home to Roosevelt elk, black-tailed deer and coyote. Seasonal kayak tours offered July and August. Reserve at store.oregonstateparks.org.

