

Dock Exploration in Charleston, OR

Master Naturalist Class – February 12, 2011

Work in small groups—too many people on the docks can end up crowded and dangerous.

- *Don't back up! Always walk forward.*
- *Watch out for other people, ropes, hoses, and things that could trip you*
- *Look where you're stepping—watch out for dog doo!*

THIS IS NOT A TEST—answer as many questions as you want. Explore, have fun, and ask questions!

1. Find a TROLLER and a TRAWLER (which docks are they on?). How can you identify them ?
2. Can you find any self-inflating life rafts? What does it look like? What other safety items are on boats?
3. Can you find the word FURUNO on any devices? What do you think those are?
4. On the "I" dock, did you find boats with round metal weights on them? How do you think those are used?
5. Did you see any hagfish boats? How could you tell what they were catching?
6. Where was the coast guard dock located? Did you see any Coast Guard boats?
7. How do you think the boats get into and out of the water? (*hint, there's more than one answer*)
8. If you see a boat with "wooden doors" and a "hopper", for what are they fishing?
9. Look at some crab pots. Could you find the "rotten cotton"? The escape ring?
10. What was an interesting thing on "B" dock?
11. Did you find any vessels with large tubs with hooks along the edges? What fishing uses this gear?
12. How can you identify a crab boat?
13. Have you seen any boats that have gear for more than one fishery?
14. What questions or observations do you have?