



# Commercial Crab Industry Notice

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The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) is pleased to invite Oregon ocean commercial Dungeness crab industry participants and interested parties to a **pop-up gear learning exchange workshop** being hosted by ODFW with support from Oregon Sea Grant, Oceana, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Sustainable Seas Technology.

The event will take place on **Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 4pm** and be split between the following locations:

Lloyd Aspire Hotel  
555 Hamburg Ave.  
Astoria, OR 97103

Warrenton Marina Working Pier  
550 NE Harbor Pl.  
Warrenton, OR 97146

There is interest in [pop-up gear technology](#) along the West Coast as a potential tool for reducing the number of vertical lines in the water and minimizing the risk of marine life entanglement. While pop-up gear has not been tested off Oregon to date, it is currently being tested under [experimental fishing permits](#) in California. The goal of this workshop is to provide members of the Dungeness crab industry, fishery managers, and enforcement partners with an introduction to pop-up gear and an opportunity for learning and discussion with crabbers that are familiar with using the gear in other fisheries.

The first half of the workshop will introduce common pop-up gear technologies and virtual gear marking, along with an opportunity for discussion on how pop-up gear is being used in California commercial fisheries right now. The second half will provide a demonstration of pop-up gear deployment, an opportunity for hand-on practice with the gear, and further discussion on interest in and concerns about the consideration of pop-up gear testing in Oregon. The event is free to attend and lunch will be provided.

If interested in attending, **please register at <https://beav.es/PopUpGearWorkshop>**. This link can also be used to sign up to receive meeting materials after the event if unable to attend. A detailed agenda will be shared with registered participants prior to the event.

Thank you for reviewing this information and please contact us if you have any questions. We hope that you can join us!

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