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Community invited to beautify Charleston Boat Basin on May 22

The Charleston community will work together to clean up the Charleston Marina, Hallmark Creek and surrounding tideflats, as well as the downtown area from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 22.

Project partners are Charleston neighbors, business owners, Oregon International Port of Coos Bay, Charleston Community Enhancement Corporation, South Slough Reserve and student volunteers from Sunset Middle School.

Activities will include trash and roadside cleanup, and weed and invasive plant removal. Volunteers also will be recycling, painting and removing graffiti. Gardening tasks will include some native plant and flower landscaping in the boat basin, along with pruning, trimming and mulching. People who plan to attend can bring tools and work gloves, and the CCEC will provide some.

Donors will provide the native plants and flowers. The Port of Coos Bay will provide dumpsters.

Volunteers should dress for the weather and are encouraged to wear sturdy shoes or work boots. To help on May 22, please go to the www.SOLV.org web site to register.

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