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Twin Harbors Cleanup
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Twin Harbors State Park

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Fireworks leave tons of environmentally harmful plastic debris scattered all over the beaches of Washington's southern coast. Join us at Twin Harbors State Park to clean up the mess and save our coast.

What you can help with at this location:

General Beach Cleanup

Collect trash and marine debris from the beach and place in provided bags. Carry filled bags above the high tide line and leave them in piles. No special skills are required. Participants must be able to bend repeatedly and pick up and carry items of varying weight and size. For a better idea of what's involved, see our **Frequently Asked Questions** page.

Truck Driving

Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission staff will handle pick up of collected trash for placement in a dumpster on Bonge Avenue. Truck drivers willing to pick up collected trash in their personal vehicles are welcome to do so. Four-wheel drive vehicles are highly recommended, as the sand can be very soft at times. Vehicles must be street legal and must stay on uppermost hard-packed sand when not actively collecting trash. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and proof of insurance. Seatbelts are required and there is an enforced speed limit of 25 MPH.

BBQ set-up, service, and clean-up

Preparing equipment, tables, and food for post-Cleanup celebration.

Debris Data Collection

Tell us what kind of debris you find so we can gain a better understanding of how to reduce its effects on our coastal environment. Take our **Debris Data Card** with you to the beach, then enter your findings into our online **Debris Database**. We'll keep track of all the information and share it with scientists working to rescue our oceans from the harm caused by marine debris.



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Check In Time and Location

Please check in before beginning any cleanup activities. On-site registration, orientation and instructions will be provided upon arrival. All volunteers must register and sign a State Parks volunteer timesheet. Check in will be at the Schafer Rd. Ocean Beach Approach parking lot, between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Beach Features:

Parking is available at both Schafer Road and Bonge Avenue. Please park only in the parking lots and *not* along the roads. There are restrooms available at both parking lots.

Basic Safety Guidelines:

- ▶ Wear gloves, proper clothing, and water-resistant shoes.
- ▶ Do not touch medical waste, dead animals, hazardous materials or sharp objects. If you are uncertain about an item, do not touch it.
- ▶ Do not approach wildlife.
- ▶ Report hazardous items that cannot be removed to event staff.
- ▶ Work with a partner.

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After the cleanup, be sure to come to the BBQ sponsored by **Ocean Companies**. Enjoy great food and learn about small things you can do to limit the amount of trash that ends up on Washington beaches.

MAKE A DONATION TODAY!



We need funds to cover the cost of heavy-duty garbage bags, disposal fees, signage, and other event supplies that help make each cleanup a success. Donate now through **Discover Your Northwest**.

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Got photos from a Washington CoastSavers event? Share them online in our **Flickr™ group**.



- ▶ Be careful of unstable banks, steep slopes, or slippery surfaces.
- ▶ Do not try to lift anything that is too heavy for you. Ask for help!
- ▶ Watch for poison oak, plants with thorns, or other natural hazards.
- ▶ Watch for any trucks or equipment that might be used in the project.
- ▶ When driving on the beach (State Parks only), stay on compacted sand. Do not drive onto high tideland where sand is soft or onto very wet sand areas.



Special Information:

Participants should wear sturdy shoes and be prepared for cold, windy and rainy weather conditions.

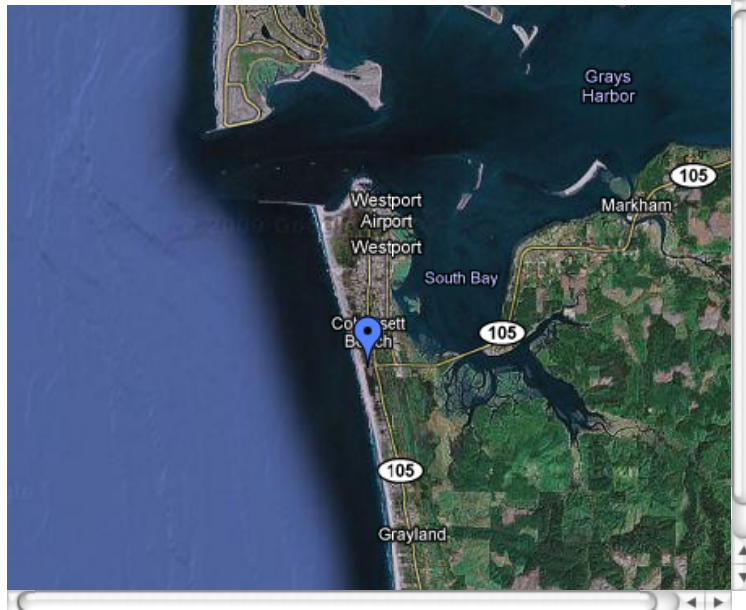
More Information:

For more information about volunteering at this location, please contact Brad at twin.harbors@parks.wa.gov.

Beach Location & Directions:

From Aberdeen, take State Route 105 south towards Westport approximately 19 miles. When you come to the "T", go straight across the highway onto Schafer Road. Follow the road to the parking lot.

NOTE: Schafer Road Ocean Beach Approach is closed to vehicles. Pedestrians may still use the approach, but they have to park in the lot.



View [July Cleanup](#) in a larger map

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