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Marine Law Enforcement Academy Training on Lake Billy Chinook

The Oregon State Marine Board will be conducting their annual marine law enforcement training on Lake Billy Chinook in Jefferson County between April 29 and May 10. This intensive training is designed for new or seasonal marine law enforcement officers who are new to boating laws, boat handling and water safety fundamentals.



“Oregon has huge waterway diversity when it comes to recreational boating, making it imperative that Oregon’s Marine Law Enforcement Officers are well trained and at-the-ready to help recreational boaters,” said Edward Persichetti, Marine Law Enforcement Training Coordinator for the Marine Board.

Throughout this intense, nine-day marine academy, a broad range of skill is developed that helps officers save lives and promote safe boating. Persichetti added, “We’re excited to be returning to Jefferson County this year and represent the highest standards of Marine Law Enforcement.”

The training includes accident investigation and boating under the influence (BUII) detection and apprehension. On-water training will take place on Lake Billy Chinook, where students will develop their basic boat handling skills and participate in real-world scenarios that emphasize safety, courtesy, enforcement tactics, and accident prevention. Pool sessions will be conducted at the Madras Aquatic Center.

The marine academy is hosted by the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office, along with highly skilled deputies from around the state, taking an active role as instructors.

For more information about the Marine Board’s partnership with marine law enforcement, visit www.boatoregon.com.

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