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# **IN SIGHT OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN, UNITED STATES MINT TO LAUNCH OCEAN IN VIEW NICKEL**

***August 5 Launch at Cape Disappointment--August 6 Nickel Exchange at Blue Lake***



The United States Mint will present the new 2005 Ocean in View nickel to the American people for the first time on a dramatically beautiful overlook of the Pacific Ocean at Cape Disappointment State Park in Washington State on August 5 at 10 a.m. Visitors will have the opportunity to exchange their bills for Ocean in View immediately after the ceremony.

“Ocean in view! O! the Joy!”, explorer William Clark’s jubilant exclamation recorded in his field notes in 1805, appears on the coin. Clark made the entry as the Lewis and Clark expedition crossed the Columbia River estuary within twenty miles of the Pacific Ocean. The Ocean in View Nickel is the fourth design in the United States Mint’s Westward Journey nickel Series™, which commemorates the bicentennials of the Louisiana Purchase and the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Children under 18 will receive a free Ocean in View nickel. Lewis and Clark-era entertainment will be provided by re-enactors and musicians. Chinook Nation exhibits and Lewis and Clark programs will be held at the park and the Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center throughout the day.

**Who:** United States Mint Deputy Director David Lebryk  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration General Counsel James R. Walpole  
Chinook Nation Vice Chairman Ray Gardner  
Lewis and Clark National and State Park Superintendent Chip Jenkins  
Washington State Historical Society Executive Director David Nicandri  
Lewis and Clark Author and Historian Rex Ziak  
Designer of Ocean in View Nickel Joe Fitzgerald

**When:** **Friday, August 5, 2005 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. PT. Launch ceremony at 10 a.m.**

**Where:** Cape Disappointment State Park, Ilwaco, Washington  
Jetty west of Waikiki Beach

Download photos of the Ocean in View nickel, go to <http://www.usmint.gov/pressroom/index.cfm?action=photo>.  
Media only: for b-roll video production tape of 2005 Ocean in View nickels being minted, call United States Mint Public Affairs: 202-354-7222

The public is also invited to Blue Lake Regional Park on August 6 from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. for **Encounter at Nichahqwli**, a celebration of Upper Chinookan people at the site of their former village. Events will include an Ocean in View nickel exchange from 1– 8 p.m. Nichahqwli (nee-chalk-lee) village was the home of the native son who led Captain William Clark to the mouth of the Willamette River. Elders and members of the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde plan a number of performances and demonstrations, including drumming, singing, basket making and stick games. Food prepared by the tribe and authentic art and crafts will be sold. Joe Fitzgerald, designer of the Ocean in View nickel, will attend the event.

**Who:** Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde; National Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

**When:** **Saturday, August 6, 1:00 – 8:00 p.m. PT. A monument to Nichahqwli will be dedicated at 1:30 p.m.**

**Where:** Blue Lake Regional Park, Portland, Oregon.