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Coastal Federation Offers Free Guided Tours of Durant's Point

HATTERAS — The N.C. Coastal Federation will sponsor two special field programs on Sept. 21 during the Day at the Docks, an annual event at Oden's Dock in Hatteras Village that celebrates the strength of community, heritage and the traditions of watermen.

The federation will lead free explorations of the marsh along Durant's Point, just across the harbor from Oden's Dock, at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. Participants will take a short boat ride across the canal to an area where the federation and other partners have restored wetlands, or "living shoreline," that control erosion and create estuarine habitat.

Federation educators will lead a short walk along this sandy shoreline to identify some of the native grasses that are vital to the health of this habitat. They will also pull a seine net through the water to see what animals live there. Anything caught will be released.

Participants should meet along the boat docks a few minutes before the scheduled times. They should dress for the weather and wear shoes that can get wet and sandy.

To learn more about the federation and the marsh explorations, call 252-473-1607 or visit www.nccoast.org.

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