## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE COASTAL WASHINGTON RESORT AND RECREATION AREA

LOCATION: The coastal Washington resort and recreation area is located along the Pacific Coast of that state, from the Oregon border north to Moclips. This strip includes about a dozen state parks, and a large number of small, family-oriented resorts. While there are some excellent and extensive sandy beaches in this area, sun-bathing is not one of the more popular activities. Instead, you have clamming, shell and rock collecting, beach-walking, wildlife-viewing, and ocean fishing.

|                        | JAN  | FEB   | MAR   | APR   | MAY   | JUN   | JUL   | AUG   | SEP   | OCT   | NOV  | DEC  |
|------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| HOURS OF DAYLIGHT      | 9:04 | 10:19 | 11:53 | 13:32 | 14:58 | 15:44 | 15:25 | 14:11 | 12:37 | 10:58 | 9:30 | 8:42 |
| HOURS OF SUNSHINE      | 2:32 | 3:43  | 4:52  | 6:30  | 7:11  | 7:05  | 7:33  | 6:32  | 5:56  | 4:23  | 3:02 | 2:21 |
| AREA OF BLUE SKY       | 22%  | 26%   | 28%   | 31%   | 31%   | 32%   | 35%   | 35%   | 38%   | 32%   | 24%  | 22%  |
| LOW FOR MONTH          | 24°  | 26°   | 31°   | 38°   | 41°   | 48°   | 50°   | 50°   | 47°   | 38°   | 32°  | 28°  |
| SUNRISE TEMPERATURE    | 38°  | 39°   | 41°   | 44°   | 47°   | 51°   | 54°   | 54°   | 52°   | 49°   | 44°  | 40°  |
| AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE  | 46°  | 48°   | 50°   | 53°   | 56°   | 59°   | 61°   | 62°   | 61°   | 58°   | 52°  | 48°  |
| HIGH FOR MONTH         | 56°  | 59°   | 64°   | 70°   | 71°   | 78°   | 79°   | 78°   | 77°   | 72°   | 63°  | 57°  |
| FROSTY MORNINGS        | 16%  | 11%   | 3%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 1%   | 6%   |
| AFTERNOONS OVER 90°    | 0%   | 0%    | 0 %   | 0 %   | 0 응   | 0 %   | 1%    | 1%    | 0 %   | 0 %   | 0 %  | 0 응  |
| AFTERNOON HUMIDITY     | 84%  | 83%   | 82%   | 81%   | 82%   | 83%   | 84%   | 86%   | 85%   | 85%   | 85%  | 86%  |
| NEARBY WATERS          | 47°  | 47°   | 48°   | 49°   | 52°   | 56°   | 57°   | 58°   | 57°   | 54°   | 51°  | 50°  |
| DRY DAYS               | 29%  | 32%   | 39%   | 43%   | 52%   | 57%   | 71%   | 71%   | 60%   | 48%   | 33%  | 26%  |
| REASONABLY DRY DAYS    | 53%  | 56%   | 63%   | 69%   | 75%   | 78%   | 89%   | 87%   | 78%   | 68%   | 56%  | 51%  |
| 5-DAY PRECIPITATION    | 1.36 | 1.29  | 0.94  | 0.65  | 0.45  | 0.36  | 0.15  | 0.18  | 0.48  | 0.83  | 1.34 | 1.51 |
| LIKELY SNOWFALL        | 2.7" | 1.6"  | 0.5"  | 0.0"  | 0.0"  | 0.0"  | 0.0"  | 0.0"  | 0.0"  | 0.0"  | 0.0" | 0.4" |
| DAYS WITH SOME SNOW    | 2%   | 2%    | 1%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%   | 0%   |
| DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER | 0%   | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0 %   | 0%    | 0%    | 0 %   | 3%    | 3%    | 3%   | 0 %  |
| DAYS WITH SOME FOG     | 10%  | 11%   | 6%    | 7%    | 6%    | 7%    | 13%   | 26%   | 23%   | 19%   | 10%  | 6%   |

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 41% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 27% in December and January, to a high of close to 50% from late March through early October. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 23°, and the highest should be near 81°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be close to (but a bit below) actual ones due to the high humidity. Morning and late evening fogs are fairly common along this coast, but usually burn off during the middle of the day.