

# Clackamas County Emergency Management

## Community Profile

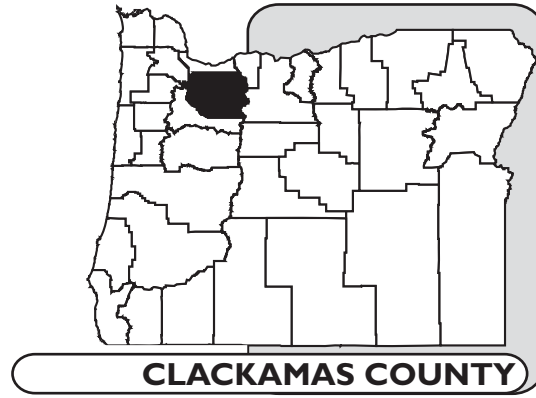
**Population** 375,992

**Location** Oregon City

## Position Description

**Sponsor** Clackamas County  
Emergency Management

**Supervisor** Jay Wilson  
Hazard Mitigation Coordinator



**Assignment** The Clackamas County Emergency Management operates as a department and has a high level of authority in the county hierarchy. Within Oregon, it is the only county to have a position dedicated to hazard mitigation, which reflects the progressiveness of the department and the county overall. Clackamas County has a staff of seven people with a Deputy Director overseeing the County Medical Examiner's office.

The RARE participant placed with Clackamas County will facilitate in review and update of Clackamas County's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. Specifically, the participant will assist all cities within Clackamas County in review and update of their existing planning documents, work with Oregon Partnership for Disaster Resilience and the Federal Emergency Management Agency staff members, facilitate public meetings with County and city officials, and compile resulting materials into a draft NHMP for review.

## RARE Participant



Laura Comstock

**Laura Comstock** received her Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies and Planning from the University of California, San Diego. As a student, she explored how community involvement in the design phase of parks leads to an increase in usage as a result of creating a sense of belonging among local residents. While in school, Laura volunteered with the San Diego Architectural Foundation and the Muir Renovations Committee, helping develop lesson plans for teachers and students and respectively representing the student body in the post-remodeling decision making process for the interior design of various on-campus facilities. Following her year with the RARE Program, Laura hopes to find work directly relating to her Degree in Urban Studies and Planning.