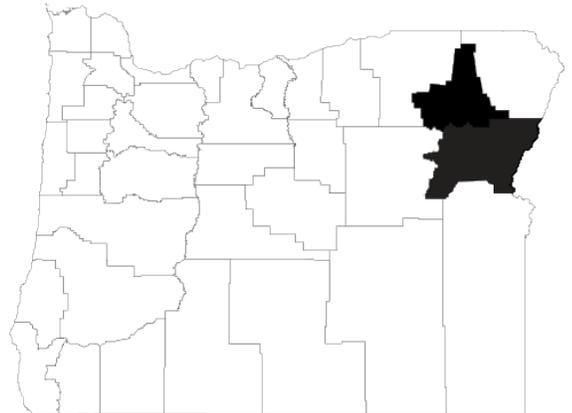




OSU Extension Service

Community Profile

County Union & Baker
 City La Grande
 Population 41,670



Assignment

Organization OSU Extension Services, Union and Baker Counties
 Supervisor Robin Maille
 RARE Member Tess Krampien

About the Oregon State Extension Service

Oregon State University Extension Service has served Oregon since 1911. We are part of the network of Land Grant Universities that serves every state in the US. OSU Extensions Services has offices in almost every county and have faculty working in every part of the State. Their mission is to engage the people of Oregon with research-based knowledge and education that strengthen communities and economies, sustain natural resources, and promote healthy families and individuals.

In La Grande, Tess will be assessing local capacity to build a stronger regional food system with the goal of improving community health and vitality. Tess will work to build community connection, particularly among the farmers and community members and groups. Tess will also increase the availability of locally grown foods by increasing the amount of healthy, locally produced food available to local residents and explore the use of value-added technologies.

Meet Tess Krampien



- B.S. in Biological Sciences – Marquette University
- M.S. in Forest Ecosystems and Society – Oregon State University
- People may be surprised when they learn that I used to bleach my hair and dye it red, bright red. After I was tired of red, I tried blue, and now my passport photo has had me with blue hair for nine and a half years.
- I think my most significant accomplishment is my thesis for my MS degree. However, I feel this way not because of the final written product, but because of all work that went into the research on my and others' behalf.