Lane Council of Governments

Community Profile:
Population 137,893
Location Eugene

Position Description:
Sponsor Lane Council of Governments
Supervisor Denise Kalakay

Assignment
The RARE participant will serve as the Water Resources Planner with the Lane Council of Governments. The participant’s time will be divided between two main projects: the newly declared Groundwater Management Area in the upper Willamette basin and Total Maximum Daily Load implementation planning. For the Groundwater Management Area, the participant will perform GIS data consolidation and mapping to identify potential source water contamination. The participant will also help set the framework for the area’s strategic water management planning. With respect to the Total Maximum Daily Load implementation planning, the RARE participant will help coordinate the development of a regional plan with specific components for each designated management agency. The RARE participant will also help to develop and implement a community/public outreach and education plan to ensure that the plan meets jurisdictions’ needs and to develop environmental stewardship among key stakeholders.

Required Skills
The RARE participant will need good organization and project management skills. The RARE participant should have some technical background in water quality management. The ability to work effectively with other individuals is important as are good written and oral communication skills.

RARE Member: Scott Shine - 2004-2005, Year 11 Participant
Scott Shine is originally from Brookfield, Wisconsin. He earned his B.S. in Environmental Studies, Cum Laude from Utah State University. His professional interests include environmental and land use policy, collaborative natural resource management, political processes, sustainable development, and bioregional planning. He plans to attend graduate school at the University of Oregon after his year of service with RARE.