

Lane Council of Governments

Community Profile

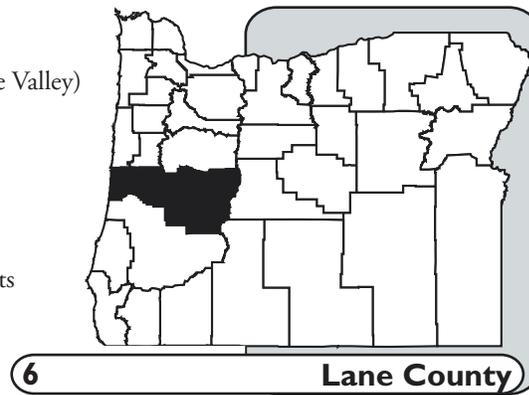
Population 75,000 (Southern Willamette Valley)

Location Eugene

Position Description

Sponsor Lane Council of Governments

Supervisor Denise Kalakay,
Senior Planner



Assignment As a planner for the Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) the RARE participant will focus time primarily in the following three projects: Willamette River Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) implementation, the Southern Willamette Valley Groundwater Management Area (GWMA) project, and the Eugene Water and Electric Board (EWEB) Watershed Protection and Monitoring Program. As part of the GWMA and TMDL projects, the RARE participant will primarily be responsible for conducting public outreach, coordinating and facilitating meetings, and arranging workshops with both residents and public officials within Lane, Benton, and Linn Counties. Other activities will include developing and applying a methodology and mitigation strategies to address future growth impacts on water quality within the Willamette Valley. Monitoring of these efforts will also be an important aspect of the projects and this position. The third project, with EWEB, will involve extensive Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data development and analysis. In addition to the activities mentioned above, the position may involve many other planning related activities including grant writing, public safety, and additional water resources planning.

Required Skills The ideal participant for this position would have strong research and technical writing skills, good analytical skills, and solid writing skills. S/he should have a strong science background and an understanding of water resource quality issues and the ability to convey scientific information to the general public. The participant should have strong interpersonal skills and be comfortable drafting public policy.

RARE Participant



Marc Mintz

Marc Mintz, was raised in Highland, CA, and earned his bachelors degree in geography with a minor in environmental studies and a certificate in urban planning from California State University, San Bernardino. After graduation, he spent seven years working for the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as an environmental planner. Outside of work, Marc enjoys hiking and mountain biking, spending time with friends, and his true passion – writing and recording music. Future plans include graduate school at either the University of Oregon or Portland State University.