

# Umatilla County Planning Department

## **Community Profile:**

**Population** 65,500 (Umatilla County)

**Location** Pendleton

## **Position Description:**

**Sponsor** Umatilla County Planning Department

**Supervisor** Patty Perry, Umatilla County Planner

## **Assignment**

Umatilla County recently completed a Flood Mitigation Plan and Solid Waste Management Plan. The Transportation System Plan and Smoke Management Plan are nearing completion. The RARE participant coordinates the county plan objectives with other interested agencies and public committees. In addition, the participant develops educational materials to be distributed to the public when they apply for various permits. This requires research, coordination and educational outreach.

## **Required Skills**

Planning and project management, computer proficiency, written and oral communication, and group facilitation skills.

## **RARE Member: *Brett Kelter - 1998-1999, Year 5 Participant***

Brett graduated in 1994 from the Friends World Program of Long Island University (at Southampton) with a BA in Human Issues. His studies of psychology and modern dance included two years at the Friends World Latin American Center in San José, Costa Rica. Before moving to Eugene to pursue a Master's degree in Community and Regional Planning, he worked as a receptionist in a homeless shelter health clinic in his hometown of Lexington, Kentucky. Brett has completed one year of graduate study in the UO planning program and is seeking to temper his class work with field experience in rural Oregon. His planning interests include natural resources, transportation, sustainable community development, appropriate technologies, consumerism, and cross-cultural exchange.