

Coos Regional Trails Partnership

Community Profile:

Population 61,400

Location Coos County

Position Description:

Sponsor Coos Bay Regional Trails Partnership, *North Bend, OR*

Supervisor Dan Miller, Recreation Planner, BLM

Assignment

In 1994, the Coos Bay/North Bend Chamber of Commerce and the Coos County Economic Development Department initiated an effort leading to the creation of a countywide Tourism Strategic and Implementation Plan. One of the actions identified in this plan is the development and implementation of a Regional Trails Plan. The RARE participant will work with partnership members and local trail users to inventory and assess the trail opportunities within the Coos Region. Trail opportunities will include hiking, equestrian, mountain biking, motorcycles, and water trails. The participant will hold focus groups and public meetings to identify opportunities and solve potential conflicts such as multiple-use trail systems, and will ultimately develop a regional trail plan identifying existing and potential opportunities. The trail plan will also include a prioritized action/implementation plan.

Required Skills

Computer literacy, public relations, technical/grant writing skills, and ability to work with committees, boards, agencies and private businesses.

RARE Member: *Miranda Shapiro - 1999-2000, Year 6 Participant*

For the past year, Miranda Shapiro has worked with the RARE Program for the Greater Applegate Community Development Corporation addressing community development issues for a newly formed non-profit organization. Prior to that, she worked with the Hawaii State Legislature as a researcher. From 1995-1997, Miranda served in the Peace Corps in Morocco. There she addressed projects for the Souss Massa National Park, including developing a monitoring plan, coordinating rural appraisal workshops and editing a newsletter.