Wasco County Planning and Economic Development Department

Community Profile:
Population 23,000
Location Wasco County

Position Description:
Sponsor Wasco County Planning and Economic Development Department, The Dalles, OR
Supervisor Dotty DeVaney, Director

Assignment
The RARE participant will be the lead for coordinating Wasco County’s updates to the Federal Emergency Management Agency floodplain maps and the development of an automated roads layer. This will involve liaison with local and federal agencies, private companies and the public, as well as map production and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) layer development. The participant will also assist the GIS Coordinator with training staff in the use of GIS and Global Positioning Systems (GPS) technologies, maintaining the computer network, and improving data automation and access. The participant will also assist in developing an intranet system for delivering end user GIS data applications. The participant will assist in the National Scenic Area Management Plan review process and assist in the development of remedies to key problems for the county.

Required Skills
Strong initiative; quick learner; solid prioritization and time management skills; GIS and database management.

RARE Member: Roberta Robles - 1999-2000, Year 6 Participant
Robert Robles received her Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies from Southern Oregon University. Her studies emphasized geographic applications, including geographic information systems, Remote Sensing and computer aided design. While completing her degree, she spent time as an exchange student at InterAmericana Universidad de Puerto Rico. Roberta has worked with both the Rogue Valley Council of Governments, Bear Creek Sanitary Authority, Talent Irrigation District and the Bureau of Land Management.