

Linn Soil & Water Conservation District

Community Profile:

Population 103,000

Location Linn County

Position Description:

Sponsor Linn Soil & Water Conservation District

Supervisor Cathy McBride

Assignment

The RARE participant will be coordinating meetings for the Local Agency Committee, which will contribute to the development of the district's Water Quality Management Program. With the assistance of district staff and other resources, education and outreach will be conducted including: workshops, tours, newsletters, media releases, mailing lists and meetings with landowners and the public. The RARE participant will provide technical assistance to the district and other agencies. The RARE participant will also work on the development of a new web site, newsletter articles, public presentations, survey questionnaires, workshops, fact sheets, visual aids, and the Agriculture Water Quality Management Area Plan.

Required Skills

Ability to prepare written materials such as brochures, poster displays, and reports summarizing accomplishments. Good organization skills and flexibility. Natural resource background and acceptance of the differences between personalities and experience working with non-profit organizations.

RARE Member: *Joel Alexander - 2000-2001, Year 7 Participant*

Joel graduated from Antioch University at Los Angeles in 1998, with a BA in Environmental Psychology. He went directly into the graduate program in Environmental Science at Oregon State University. Joel has completed his graduate course work and currently is finishing his thesis. His graduate fieldwork used ethnographic methodology, the population was private landowners and the tract was riparian restoration as an alternative to conventional methods.