

# Lower Nehalem Watershed Council

## **Community Profile:**

**Population** 2,000

**Location** Tillamook County

## **Position Description:**

**Sponsor** Lower Nehalem Watershed Council

**Supervisor** Maggie Peyton

## **Assignment**

The RARE participant will work with the Lower Nehalem Watershed Council (LNWC) members and coordinator to implement projects aimed at improving watershed health and increasing native salmon populations. Using the newly completed Nehalem Watershed Assessment and Action Plan, the participant will assist the council to identify, develop, and implement projects for fish passage improvement, riparian restoration, estuary habitat improvement, and volunteer monitoring. The participant will also work with the LNWC volunteer monitoring project.

## **Required Skills**

Written and oral communication skills, friendly, professional attitude and ability to work well amongst diverse people and personal values, organizational skills, ability to take initiative, time management skills, working knowledge of GIS, knowledge of web design, monitor grant expenses on Quick Books, field work, have a basic understanding of lab protocols/techniques for processing water quality samples, and facilitation.

## **RARE Member: *David Kuhn - 2000-2001, Year 7 Participant***

David graduated from Indiana University, Bloomington in 1998 with a BA in Journalism, with concentrated studies in Environmental Sciences and Ecology. He worked as a sports, education and environment writer and sports editor at the Hood River News for 18 months. He spent a total of four months in West Africa during late 1999 and 2000, observing projects in education, health, agricultural techniques, wildlife protection and natural resource conservation. David has been accepted for a Peace Corps service in Senegal, West Africa, which begins March 2002. His nomination in October 2000 as an agro-forestry technician and natural resource conservation manager should lead to work in water management (waste and drinking), soil efficiency, land use planning, animal husbandry and eco-tourism.