

Klamath County Economic Development District

Community Profile:

Population 70,000

Location Klamath Falls, Klamath County

Position Description:

Sponsor South Central Oregon Economic Development District

Supervisor Tonya Dowse

Assignment

The RARE Participant will be working with the South Central Oregon Economic Development District in both Lake and Klamath Counties and will provide assistance to the Lake and Klamath County Region in evaluating and updating their strategic plans. Part of the position will involve working with, reviewing and updating the Consolidated Economic Development Plan, and the Regional Investment Plan for both areas.

The participant will spearhead the needs and issues inventorying and project development for Lake and Klamath Counties. The RARE Participant will work with the town of Lakeview on the management and implementation of the Lakeview sidewalk restoration and replacement plan. The participant will also work on the Christmas Valley wastewater project, the Chiloquin Mill site redevelopment project, and the Bonanza library redevelopment.

Required Skills

Good oral and written communication skills are desirable, along with a willingness to work with small groups of citizens (public and private), and the desire to learn about life in vast, sparsely populated counties.

RARE Member: *Brian Janz - 2001-2002, Year 8 Participant*

Brian Janz earned his undergraduate degree in Applied Environmental Science from the Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls. He worked as a student worker on the Poe Valley Water Quality Study for the Klamath Soil and Water Conservation District. In 1999, Brian also worked on a water quality survey of Lake Ewauna for Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality. In the summers of 1997 and 1998, Brian worked on the Olex Game Preserve in Arlington, Oregon.