

City of Lebanon

Community Profile

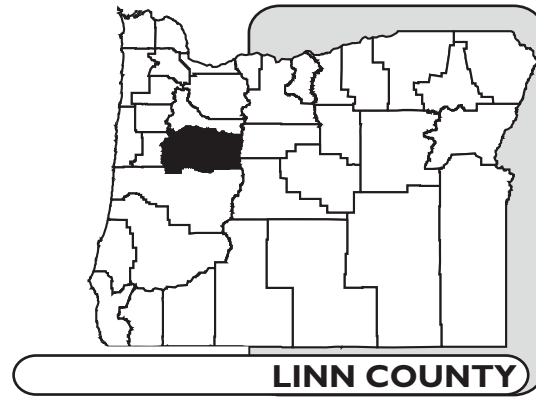
Population 14,000

Location Lebanon

Position Description

Sponsor City of Lebanon

Supervisor Rodney Sell,
Maintenance Services
Division



Assignment The RARE participant will continue the current RARE participant’s work towards bringing 50+ miles of developed recreational trails to the City of Lebanon. This includes the updating and revising the trail system strategic plan. This plan will serve as the initial planning groundwork that provides for trail facility long-term funding and development.

Secondly, the RARE participant will research, conduct outreach with landowners, and review and update planning related materials that correspond to the sections of the trails yet to be developed. Long-term sustainability for the Lebanon trails system will be another focus of the RARE participant. This will include researching options for long-term funding of the construction and maintenance of all trail developments.

The RARE participant will continue to build support for Build Lebanon Trails (BLT) projects within the community by providing information to the public about BLT events, projects, and opportunities for involvement. The RARE participant will assist with various BLT run events, including volunteer work days, advertised monthly trail hikes, and public outreach events. The RARE participant will work under the direction of the Public Works Director and Maintenance Division Manager, while completing the development of the Lebanon Trails Strategic Plan and individual trail segment refinement plans.

RARE Participant



Mark Swenson

Mark Swenson is from Hixton, WI, population 446. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point College of Natural Resources in Land Use Planning in December of 2006. While at Stevens Point, Mark served as a teaching assistant for two forestry classes held at Treehaven Field Station. He also worked for six months as a land use analyst at the Center for Land Use Education. Before moving to Oregon to start his RARE position, Mark worked as a caretaker at the Tongue River Reservoir State Park in southeastern Montana.