City of Gold Hill

Community Profile

County Jackson
City Gold Hill
Population 1,128

Assignment
Organization City of Gold Hill
Supervisor Rick Hohnbaum
RARE Member Molly Bradley

About the City of Gold Hill
The City of Gold Hill is located off the I-5 corridor between Grants Pass and Medford. Gold Hill was founded in the early 1800's by miners looking to make it rich shortly after a large gold nugget was found in the area. The Rogue River that borders the City of Gold Hill is perceived by many as being the future economic engine for the community. The City owns over 100 acres of parks and a mix of natural areas. Increasing recreational and river access and use and local economic development are primary initiatives being taken on by the city. Currently, the City of Gold Hill has just over 1,100 residents and a City staff of 5.5 FTE.

Molly Bradley will build upon a wide array of planning related projects for the City of Gold Hill. Using existing momentum, she will spend the majority of her time administering and implementing a newly adopted Surface Water Management Plan. Additionally, Molly will work to raise awareness of human impacts on water quality via the City’s website and the release quarterly newsletters focused on water quality related issues. Finally, she work to with local partners to educate property owners through onsite riparian vegetation consultation.

Meet Molly Bradley
Molly received a Bachelor’s degree in Public Policy and Environmental Studies with a certificate in GIS from DePaul University. As a student, Molly interned with the Active Transportation Alliance (ATA) to assess the physical safety features and walkability of a city park. After attaining her degree, Molly interned with The Congress for the New Urbanism, assisting in planning and organizing their annual conference. During her year with the RARE Program, Molly hopes to apply and improve her skills while developing her leadership skills through relationship-building with Oregon’s community leaders. Following her year with the RARE Program, Molly plans to enroll in a Community and Regional Planning graduate program in the Pacific Northwest.