Regional Solutions
Greater Eastern and Northeast Oregon Region

Community Profile

County: Baker, Union, Wallowa, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla & Wheeler
City: La Grande
Population: 190,000 (counties)

Assignment

Organization: State of Oregon
Supervisor: Scott Fairly
RARE Member: Isaac Dalke

About Regional Solutions, Greater Eastern & Northeast Oregon Region

Regional Solutions offers an innovative, collaborative approach to community and economic development in Oregon. The State, in partnership with Oregon colleges and universities, established Regional Solutions Centers throughout Oregon. Each Center takes a bottom-up approach to development projects -- working at the local level to identify priorities, solve problems, and seize opportunities to complete projects. These centers integrate State Agency work and funding to ensure that projects are completed in the most economical and streamlined process possible.

Isaac Dalke is placed with Regional Solutions and will act as the Assistant Regional Coordinator on behalf of the Regional Coordinator to move large scale infrastructure projects to fruition. Specifically, Isaac will learn and participate in the work of public appointed bodies in deliberating and determining local priorities; assist in the creation implementation plans; carryout project execution activities; and develop informational newsletters for the eastern and northeastern regions.

Meet Isaac Dalke

Isaac received his Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Chicago. During college, Isaac spent a summer as a Constituent Services Intern for U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley, researching and writing policy memos on Social Security, administrative law, policy, and veteran mental health. Isaac also worked as an Economic Development Intern for Greater Portland Inc., where he oversaw web development and web page design as the organization worked to re-brand itself. Through the RARE program, Isaac hopes to gain more hands-on experience in community development.