



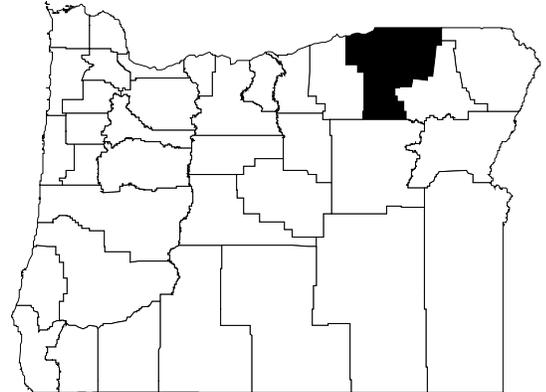
## Umatilla Basin Watershed Council

### Community Profile

**County** Umatilla  
**City** Pendleton  
**Population** 16,784

### Description

**Sponsor** Umatilla Basin Watershed Council  
<http://www.umatillawatershedcouncil.org>  
**Supervisor** Greg Silbernagel, Executive Director



**Assignment** The Umatilla Basin Watershed Council (UBWC) was created in 1997 by the Umatilla County Board of Commissioners as a result of the development of the Umatilla Basin TMDL project. Initial emphasis was directed at education and outreach, along with coordination of water quality monitoring based on water quality management plans developed during the TMDL process. UBWC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It covers 2,500 square miles. Its three main programs are Watershed Restoration, Education and Water Quality Monitoring. The Council hosts monthly public Board meetings to inform Board Members and community of its activities. The UBWC operates 90% off of grant funding with the other 10% contributed by Umatilla County.

The RARE participant placed with the Umatilla Basin Watershed Council will provide technical assistance, coordination and leadership, and act as a liaison between UBWC and the general public. Specifically, the participant will develop educational material for youth ages 12-18 relating to watershed function and fisheries, present material to local classrooms, organize field trips, develop newsletters for education/outreach purposes to community, etc. Additionally, the participant will support UBWC in their desire to further build the capacity of their organization.

### Meet Joshua Allen



Joshua Allen received his Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources Planning from Humboldt State University. After attaining his Bachelors Degree, Joshua found full time employment with the Trinity County Planning Department as an Assistant Planner. While working for Trinity County he was able to secure and administer over two million dollars in grant funding to assist in the restoration of the Trinity River. After a four year stint with Trinity County, Joshua enrolled at California State University, Chico, where he earned a Master Degree in Public Administration. Following his year with the RARE Program, Joshua plans to apply to law school at either Lewis & Clark or the University of Oregon.