City of North Plains

Community Profile

Population  1,605
Location    North Plains

Position Description

Sponsor    City of North Plains
Supervisor Don Otterman
City Manager

Assignment City Planning. The City of North Plains was founded in 1910 and incorporated in 1963. Located on the periphery of the Portland Metropolitan Area, many community residents commute to Hillsboro, Beaverton and Portland. The City is creating an economic development program to encourage expansion of commercial and industrial land uses locally to generate jobs for residents.

The RARE participant placed with the City of North Plains is conducting a buildable lands inventory, coordinating a feasibility study for a new community center, and establishing the North Plains farmers’ market. Specifically, the participant surveys residents to collect information to update city maps and records; prepares and submits grants; coordinates community and neighborhood meetings; and facilitates a network of volunteers to effectively promote and implement the new farmers’ market.

RARE Participant

Angeline Lehnert grew up in Houston, Texas and earned a BS in Wildlife and Fisheries Science from Texas A&M University. Recently, Angeline was awarded a Master’s in Urban Planning by Texas A&M University. Following college, she worked as a zookeeper at the Houston Zoo and volunteered for a number of organizations such as The Public Land Trust in Houston, Texas and the Wildlife Rehab & Education in College Station, Texas. As a graduate student, Angeline gained valuable work experience as a research assistant for the Texas A&M Hazard Reduction/Recovery Center and the Texas Transportation Institute. She is interested in citizen participation, watershed management, and planning for wildlife connectivity. This is Angeline’s second year as a RARE participant.