Farmers Conservation Alliance

Community Profile

Population 75,000 (Columbia Gorge Region)
Location Hood River

Position Description

Sponsor Farmers Conservation Alliance (FCA)
Supervisor Julie O’Shea, Executive Director

Assignment The RARE participant will be engaged in several projects with FCA including the planning, production, and publication of the Navigator, an energy resource guide designed for rural Oregonians. The participant will work on a media campaign to promote the Navigator. The RARE participant will document each part of the process and recommend improvements on the process and the product. The participant will also work on the development of a complementary website for the Navigator. Finally, the participant will work to forward the organization’s involvement in sustainable technology development including the conducting of research on energy and water issues in the northwest and conducting outreach with organizations and linking them with community members.

Required Skills The RARE participant should have excellent communication skills. S/he should be an adept researcher and have grant writing experience. The position will require public presentations and outreach so the participant should be able to work with a wide variety of people.

RARE Participant Maggie Gulick is originally from North Carolina. Maggie received her master’s degree in Urban and Environmental Planning from Clemson University in 2007. She studied psychology as an undergraduate in North Carolina. Maggie has experience in environmental planning and policy; housing and community development; and sustainable energy, planning, and design. She has studied extensively on planning for sustainable food systems.