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Memorandum Date: June 1, 2005

Order Date:

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: County Administration

PRESENTED BY: Christine Moody, Management Analyst I
David Garnick, Budget & Financial Planning Manager

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PROJECTS UNDER
TITLE III OF THE SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND
COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000, P.L.
106-393 FOR FY 05-06

I. MOTION

**MOVE TO APPROVE BOARD ORDER 05-06-01-xx ADOPTING TITLE III
PROJECTS FOR FY 05-06.**

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" requires that projects funded under Title III meet the criteria found under the six allowable uses. The Board needs to approve projects for funding for the FY 05-06 fiscal year.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

In an earlier Board Order, the proposed FY 05-06 P.L. 106-393 allocation was determined to be 49% to Title II and 51% to Title III. The Title III portion provides approximately \$4.7 million dollars in new revenue, combined with \$1.6 million dollars in carryover fund balance from the previous years. In total, the available Title III funds are \$6.3 million dollars. It should be noted that \$462,000 of the carryover fund balance is the benefit reserve of \$231,000 per year as previously approved by this Board.

On March 4, 2005, Lane County published a 45-day public notice in the Register Guard. This notice listed the projects for consideration by the Legislative Committee and invited public comment. The County received six project submissions from the public and two from county departments (Land Management and Public Works, Parks Division).

The Legislative Committee reviewed the submitted Title III projects on May 12, 2005, and recommends approval as detailed on attachment A. The Legislative Committee has also

recommended publishing a second 45-day public notice for new projects in order to evaluate additional projects prior to the federal deadline of September 30th.

B. Policy Issues

The County's budget process requires the Board to approve the Title III project allocation now so that the FY 05-06 projects supported by these funds can be part of the adopted budget.

C. Board Goals

Efficient use of the Title III funds received by Lane County through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, will assist in the renewal efforts of the Act which is Lane County's strategic objective D5: *Develop timber revenue strategies*, which states: "Lane County will prepare a plan that identifies strategies and actions to ensure continuation of County payments from the federal government under Public Law 106-393"

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

The fiscal impact on the Title III funds received by Lane County is detailed in Attachment B.

E. Analysis

Approval of the package as presented will fully fund most previously identified on going programs, budgeted for 05-06 at \$4,671,411 and commit \$97,998 in new spending for FY 05-06. In total, the Board is considering \$4,769,409 in Title III projects plus \$342,883 in associated program costs for FY 05-06

F. Alternatives/Options

Option 1

Fund the following *on-going projects*:

- Search & Rescue - \$271,250
- National Dunes Deputies – \$52,948
- Forest Lands Emergency Services - \$1,076,533
- Forest Work Camp - \$2,939,767
- Juvenile Forest Work Team - \$330,913

Fund the following *carry-over project*:

- Four Conservation Easements
(Staffordshire, Prichard, Dilley, Giustina) – \$10,000

Fund the following *continuing projects*:

- Mt. Pisgah - \$20,000 (2nd year of 2 year request)
- Northwest Youth Corp - \$67,998 (2nd year of 2 year request)

Fund the following *program costs*:

- Title II/III coordination indirect - \$111,883
- Benefit Reserve - \$231,000

Option 2

Fund only the on-going projects and program costs as identified above.

Option 3

Fund on-going programs and all new proposals submitted for FY05-06.

Option 4

Fund a combination of on-going and new proposals as defined by Board.

V. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

The decision made in this Board Order will determine which Title III projects are funded for FY05-06. The option chosen may also have implications on funding available for projects in FY 06-07 as shown in Attachment B.

The federal deadline for project submission for FY 05-06 is September 30, 2005. However, the decisions contained in this order are needed to complete the FY 05-06 budget prior to Board adoption. In addition, two of the recommended continuing projects consist of summer 2005 educational programs and therefore would benefit from notification of funding as soon as possible.

VI. RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adopting option 1 as written in the Board Order.

VII. FOLLOW-UP

The Title III budget, as approved by the budget committee, will be adjusted prior to Board adoption by way of a technical adjustment to match with the projects approved by the Board today.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

- A. Proposed FY 05-06 Title III Uses
- B. Fiscal Impact of proposed Board Order
- C. Project Proposal Letters of Request

Total Proposed FY 05-06 Title III Uses

Projected FY 04-05 Ending Carryover Fund Balance \$ 1,605,359.00 (Includes \$462,000 for employee benefit reserves as requested by BCC)
 Projected FY 05-06 Title III Revenue \$ 4,747,200.00
 Projected FY 05-06 Interest Earnings \$ 35,604.00
Total Projected Available for Title III Revenue \$ 6,388,163.00

Proposed Ongoing Title III Uses

Search and Rescue	\$ 271,250	Fund the cost of providing SAR services on Federal lands including a portion of the SAR volunteer coordinator, volunteer training, operating expenses, helicopter operating expenses, materials and supplies and indirect expenses.
National Dunes Deputies	\$ 52,948	Fund the cost of Sheriff's Deputies who provide emergency services on the Dunes National Recreational Area in Lane County.
Forest Lands Emergency Services	\$ 1,076,533	Fund the cost of Sheriff's Deputies who provide emergency services on Federal lands including personnel, materials and supplies and indirect expenses. This would include the National Forests and BLM.
Forest Work Camp	\$ 2,939,767	Provide up to six inmate work crews to perform community service on Federal lands including but not limited to the removal of non-native plant species, repair and maintenance of existing infrastructure and the improvement of habitat. The funds will be used to pay for the salary and benefits of County employees, camp expenses and the indirect costs of these work crews.
Juvenile Forest Work Team	\$ 330,913	Provide one work crew starting January, 2002 to perform community service on Federal lands including but not limited to the removal of non-native plant species, repair and maintenance of existing infrastructure and the improvement of habitat. The funds will be used to pay for the salary and benefits of County employees and the indirect costs.

Recommended Ongoing Title III Uses \$ 4,747,200

Proposed Continuing FY 05-06 Projects

Staffordshire, Prichard, Dilley, Giustina (4 properties, 16.86 acres)	\$ 10,000	Carryover FY04-05 request. Purchase four properties identified by the Parks Department as desirable for conservation easements.
Northwest Youth Corps	\$ 67,998	Education, employment and job training to Lane County youth involved in forest related activities including: trail construction and maintenance, timber stand improvement and noxious weed removal.
Mt. Pisgah Arboretum Education Program	\$ 20,000	Provides an Outdoor Science Education Program for K-6 grade students in Lane County at Mt. Pisgah Arboretum.

Recommended FY 05-06 Continuing Programs Total: \$ 97,998

NOT Recommended FY 05-06: Title III Use: \$ 27,697,409

Proposed FY 05-06 Program Costs

Title III/III Countywide Coordination Indirect Cost	\$ 111,883	Provides federal Title II/III coordination to all County departments and federal agencies within Lane County.
Benefit Reserve Account	\$ 231,000	Establish an employee benefit reserve in the event that P. L. 106-393 is not renewed and the County needs to pay the unemployment benefits of Lane County employees.

Other recommended associated program costs: \$ 242,383

FY 05-06 funding requests - NOT recommended

Red Cross	\$ 60,000	\$30,000 a year for 2 years. Fire Prevention and county planning. Help communities prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies.
Willamette Resources & Education Network	\$ 25,200	Camp Discovery. Developed volunteer naturalist and teacher training programs for K-12 with camps focusing on forestry, eco-art, aquatic animal life, fire ecology, wildlife of various habitats and watersheds and water quality. Includes travel to Finley National Wildlife Refuge.
Communities for Healthy Forests	\$ 40,000	Educates public on need to restore forests lost by catastrophic events such as fires.
LMD Planning	\$ 107,891	Qualifying planning tasks related to wild fire prevention and the mitigation of development effects on adjacent federal lands and other eligible long-range planning activities.
Lane Arts Council	\$ 45,000	Program that integrates science education and learning about the environment and natural resources with the arts.
Not Recommended For Funding	278,091	

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED BOARD ORDER

Projected Revenue	<u>Actuals</u> FY03-04	<u>Projected</u> FY04-05	<u>Projected</u> FY 05-06	<u>Projected</u> FY 06-07
Projected Title III Revenues	\$ 4,626,147	\$ 4,687,751	\$ 4,747,200	\$ 4,808,923
Investment Earnings	\$ 70,763	\$ 47,749	\$ 35,604	\$ 48,089
Projected Carryover Acct Balance	\$ 1,557,004	\$ 1,447,825	\$ 1,143,359	\$ 813,871
Projected Total Available Revenue	\$ 6,253,914	\$ 6,183,325	\$ 5,926,163	\$ 5,670,883

On-going Lane County Title III Uses

Search and Rescue	160,242	\$ 250,000	\$ 271,250	\$ 294,306
National Dunes Deputies	64,672	\$ 48,800	\$ 52,948	\$ 57,449
Forest Lands Emergency Services	973,498	\$ 992,196	\$ 1,076,533	\$ 1,168,038
Forest Work Camp	2,766,531	\$ 2,709,463	\$ 2,939,767	\$ 3,189,648
Juvenile Forest Work Team	212,960	\$ 304,989	\$ 330,913	\$ 359,041
Oregon Forestry Education	26,616	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Forest Zone Development Permits	44,260	\$ 65,000		
Title II/III Coordination Indirect	\$ 109,511	\$ 103,118	\$ 111,883	\$ 121,393
Sub Total	\$ 4,358,289	\$ 4,473,566	\$ 4,783,294	\$ 5,139,874

Additional Projects

Benefit Reserve Account	231,000	231,000	231,000	231,000
Community Wilfire Protection Plan		164,400		
Tillamook Forestry Center		50,000		
Parks Conservation Easements (4 parcels)			10,000	
Fire Prevention & County Planning				
Northwest Youth Corp		56,000	67,998	
Mt. Pisgah Education Program		20,000	20,000	
Lane Arts Council		45,000		
Sheriff's Office Dispatch Remodel	216,800			
Sub Total	\$ 447,800	\$ 566,400	\$ 628,998	\$ 231,000

Total Projects Combined **\$ 4,806,089** **\$ 5,039,966** **\$ 5,412,292** **\$ 5,420,874**

Projected Title III Balance **\$ 1,447,825** **\$ 1,143,359** **\$ 813,871** **\$ 250,009**

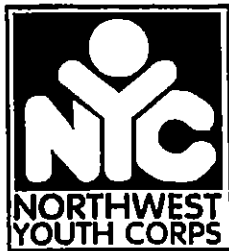
*Note: the projected balance does not include the benefit reserve amount which will be \$924,000 at the end of the FY 06/07.

FY 05/06 Projects NOT recommended for approval:

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LMD Planning	107,891
Lane Arts Council	45,000
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**NORTHWEST YOUTH CORP
PROPOSAL**

\$67,998



March 14, 2005

Lane County Board of Commissioners
Attn: Mr. John Arnold, Management Analyst II
125 East Eighth Avenue
Eugene, OR 97401

Dear Mr. Arnold and Commissioners:

Northwest Youth Corps (NYC) is pleased to submit this application to Lane County requesting \$67,998 to provide a second year of forest-related job-training opportunities through NYC's *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project*. Northwest Youth Corps is Oregon's largest and oldest youth corps program, and has provided education, employment and job training to over 3,060 Lane County youth since 1984.

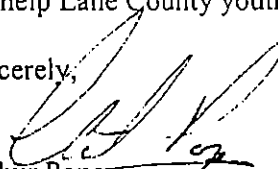
- During NYC's *Lane County Stewardship Project* in 2005-2006, up to 165 youth work a total of 1,485 days to complete priority resource management projects on Lane County lands. Project participants gain **practical work skills and knowledge** as measured by pre- and post-program assessments. For their hard work, youth receive a **stipend** of \$90 to \$120 per three-week session.
- **Youth also learn about the natural environment** through a total of 990 days of "hands-on" curricula and outdoor recreation. Through education, skill-building and real-work projects, youth become involved in their community and empowered to solve problems and make a difference.
- Proposed activities meet several Lane County's *Strategic Plan* priorities. These include providing early intervention services with a special emphasis on programs that serve youth, preserving infrastructure, maintaining a healthy environment, protecting the public's assets, and enhancing Lane County's recreational opportunities.

Strong Project Partners. This project is made possible through several partnerships. In addition to support from the Lane County Board of Commissioners, \$108,261 is contributed by other partners:

- *Northwest Youth Corps* participants are contributing program fees.
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- *Businesses* – including a realtor and local banks – support scholarships.
- *Project sponsors* provide job-training opportunities and funding. This year's sponsors include Lane County Parks and Recreation Department, The Nature Conservancy of Oregon, Bureau of Land Management, US Army Corps of Engineers, and other partners.

In 2005 NYC celebrates its 23rd year of developing youth. Many of last year's participants have vowed to return to this year's *Stewardship Project*, representing a first step in creating active citizens with a life-long commitment to community service and volunteerism. Thank you for your consideration of this proposal to support a second year of funding for the *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project*. Together we help Lane County youth make a difference, as a team, in the field, and in their community.

Sincerely,


Arthur Pope
Executive Director

**Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000
Public Law 106-393**

**Title III Project Submission Form
LANE COUNTY**

Date: March 14, 2005

Project Name: Lane County Youth Stewardship Project
Project Sponsor: Northwest Youth Corps (NYC)
Sponsor Address: 2621 Augusta Street, Eugene, Oregon 97403
Point of Contact: Jeff Parker, Administrative Director
Phone: (541) 349-5055, ext. 203 Fax: (541) 349-5060
Email: jeffp@northwestyouthcorps.org

Project Type: (authorized uses per Sec 302(b))
 Forest Related Ed. Opportunities

Project Overview and Location

Northwest Youth Corps (NYC) is pleased to request \$67,998 to provide forest-related job-training opportunities to 165 youth through NYC's *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project*. NYC is Oregon's largest and oldest youth corps program, and has provided education, employment and job training to over 3,060 Lane County youth since 1984.

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Girls eradicating noxious weeds for the McKenzie River Trust.

Link to Title III and County Goals

This project fulfills Title III HR 2389 Category 4 suggestions that funded work/education programs teach participants how to properly **construct, maintain or improve trails and other facilities** in the forest ...after regular school hours...and provide other experiences to children and adults related to **forest education**.

Proposed **activities meet several Lane County's Strategic Plan priorities**. These include providing early intervention services with a special emphasis on programs that serve youth, preserving infrastructure, maintaining a healthy environment, protecting the public's assets, and enhancing Lane County's recreational opportunities.

Thank you for sponsoring us. Although it was hard work, I'm glad I could help you.
Speer D. Written to a project sponsor by a Stewardship Project Participant

Program Structure

The *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* focuses on **Ecology, Community, and Work**.

Ecology. Participants learn about tide pools at the Oregon Coast, explore forest ecology through hiking in an old growth forest, experience river ecology first-hand while rafting on the Willamette River, and practice low impact camping on the McKenzie River. Youth discuss how nature "works" through **close-up study** of watersheds, soil, geology, native and non-native species, and resource management challenges. Additionally, youth learn how to be safe outdoors through topics such as fire safety, how to use a map and compass, knot-tying, cooking, and plant identification.



Making fire with a bow and drill.



Learning about big trees.

Community. Service to community runs throughout all NYC programs. Staff and youth discuss the importance of lending a hand to help solve community problems, and working together to meet a challenge. Through the *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project*, young people feel they can be a **successful and active part of society**.

Work Skills. Youth do not need prior experience. Experienced leaders help youth learn everything they need to know, in a fun and supportive environment. Youth learn to show up on time, work safely and efficiently, and develop a strong work ethic – skills helpful to any workplace.

Youth join to help the community and make a difference. However, for their work, youth earn a **stipend of \$120 - \$165** per three-week program, depending on age and attendance.

Benefit to Lane County Lands

During the 2005 Summer Season, *Stewardship Project* youth will dedicate 1,485 days – over 6,700 hours – to crew projects within Lane County, for up to twelve different sponsoring agencies and organizations.

Working in teams of 10-12, youth will build upon projects carried out by Title III funded youth last year. Projects include restoring degraded and heavily used trail systems, and minimizing erosion and damage to hydrological systems.



Working together on noxious weed eradication.

- **Fern Ridge.** For example, in 2004, in the US Army Corps of Engineers' Fern Ridge Management Area, youth removed two acres of Japanese Knotweed, four acres of blackberry, and grasses around 2,300 fir seedlings. These projects built upon forest education programming, as youth learned about silviculture and ecological balance.
- **Lane County Parks.** At Mt. Pisgah Trail 3, Lane County Parks and Recreation Department, last year, youth constructed 250 feet of new trail, installed four culverts and spread 15 yards of aggregate along Trail 3 to improve the trail and reduce erosion, benefiting thousands of Lane County enthusiasts who hike this trail each year.
- **West Eugene Wetlands.** For the Nature Conservancy of Oregon and The Bureau of Land Management, in the West Eugene Wetlands, youth removed non-native species on three acres of critical habitat, as they learned about the ecological value of wetlands.
- **Economic Development.** By helping Lane County maintain its recreational facilities, The *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* provides economic benefits by ensuring that more people return to the area for their recreational pursuits. In addition, by carrying out needed maintenance projects, youth enable agencies to concentrate their limited resources on higher level planning and resource management.

Thank you for letting us work in a good community...
Alicia Written to a project sponsor by a *Stewardship Project* Participant

Benefit to Lane County Residents

The *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* exposes youth – especially girls – to non-traditional career opportunities, and helps all youth gain job skills, a better understanding of environmental stewardship, and an understanding that hard work pays off. Gains in youth knowledge and skills are measured both by post-program assessments, and observed by the youth themselves. At all three graduation ceremonies in 2004, participants spoke strongly of the learning and growth they gained working outdoors. The youth also increased their understanding of how local agencies such as Lane County Parks operate.

Benefit to Lane County Residents, continued

In assessments of last year's Lane County Title III-funded program, youth gave the following percentage of responses indicating NYC experience increasing their ability to:

- Work independently: 88%
- Cooperate in team effort: 92%
- Be a group leader: 83%
- Work hard: 96%
- Work safely: 73%
- Find a job: 88%
- Solve problems: 90%
- 79% of youth responded either with "A Lot" or "Huge Amount" when asked if their participation in the *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* increased their work skills.



Learning to work together as a team!

Accomplishments and Expected Outcomes

NYC expects similar results in its 2005 program. By 12/31/05 NYC will report to Lane County progress towards benchmarks, anticipated to include (1) educational gains in youth, (2) number of Lane County youth employed to accomplish work in Lane County, (3) demographics of youth served, (4) program participant self evaluations and (5) work production report.

Demographics of Lane County Residents Served

Of youth served in 2004 with Title III funding, 72% were Caucasian, 19% were Latino, 6% were African American, and 3% were Asian/Pacific Islander. 37% of participants' family received support such as food stamps. 6% of youth were independent of parents or guardians. For 30% of last year's youth, this was their first work experience.

***Thank you for paying for my scholarship.
I've learned to work hard and give all I can to show respect to my crew and this program.
I will always remember the past three weeks. Billy W. Project Participant***



Learning about water safety with friends.

Does this project coordinate with other related project(s)? Yes

Coordination with Other Projects. Stewardship activities begun in the summer of 2005 will be continued during the academic school year by students enrolled in NYC's accredited OutDoor High School serving Lane County school districts.

The *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* is also part of a greater initiative funded by the Oregon Commission on Volunteer Action and Service for NYC's project, *Helping Youth Learn* (HYL).

Coordination with Other Projects, continued

- **Project sponsors** identify and develop priority projects, provide funding, help with outreach, and give presentations to youth.
- **Local schools and social service agencies** help recruit youth and support NYC's efforts to develop safe activities for youth.
- **Local media** promote youth opportunities and create visibility for Lane County activities. Last year's cleanup project for St. Vincent DePaul was featured in the *St. Vinnie's Voice* newsletter, while work in the West Eugene Wetlands was publicized by KVAL and KEZI.



Non-native tree eradication in the West Eugene Wetlands.

- When providing information to the media, and in its own website, NYC will credit Lane County with supporting this program.
- **Legislators and officials** will have an opportunity to visit 2005 project sites.

Thanks for helping me with my tuition, so I could work with (this program) because I made a lot of new friends and worked really hard. James R. Project Participant

Status of Project Planning

The proposed program is fully developed and ready to implement.

- Northwest Youth Corps' *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* was awarded Title III funding last year by the Lane County Board of Commissioners. Funding from last year's proposal supports this Project through June 2005. The current proposal requests funding to support the *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* from July 2005 - June 2006.
- Northwest Youth Corps has a 22 year history of providing forest-related job-training. Last year, in addition to working on Lane County projects with Title III support, NYC crews worked with 41 Ranger Districts, seven BLM districts, the Army Corps of Engineers, National Park Service, nine state parks, the US Fish and Wildlife Service, and several Counties and Park Departments.

Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment: Non-Profit Other (specify): NYC
Lane County Youth Stewardship Project crews

Anticipated Project Costs:

- a. **Total County Title III Funds Requested: \$67,998.29** for July 2005 – July 2006
- b. **Is this a multi-year funding request?** No
- c. **FY 05 Request: \$67,998.29**

Item	Column A Requested Title III Contribution	Column B Other Contributions	Column C Total Available Funds
Youth Recruitment and Stipends	\$45,307.00		\$45,307.00
Program Staffing		\$23,169.66	\$23,169.66
Education Staffing Cost		\$33,953.00	\$33,953.00
Materials and Supplies		\$6,643.00	\$6,643.00
Scholarships	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$15,000.00
Rent, Transportation, Tools	\$15,191.29	\$15,191.29	\$30,382.58
Project Sub-Total	\$67,998.29	\$86,456.94	\$154,455.24
Indirect Costs		\$21,804.71	\$21,804.71
TOTAL COST ESTIMATE	\$67,998.29	\$108,261.65	\$176,259.95

Expenses Supported by Title III Funds

Northwest Youth Corps requests \$67,998.29 towards to the \$176,259.95 anticipated cost for the 2005 Lane County Youth Stewardship program.

- **Youth Stipends.** NYC requests \$45,307.00 in Title III costs to support youth participant stipends and costs to enroll these youth.
- **Youth Scholarships.** In order to meet anticipated requests this year, NYC requests \$7,500.00 to provide scholarships to youth from low-income families to help them participate in the program.



Scholarships allow a wide range of youth to participate, learn and have fun!

To ensure that diverse youth – including those from low-income families – can benefit from its programs, NYC awards need-based scholarships as funds allow. Last year's *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project* awarded 76 participants (about 46% of youth) tuition assistance, with an average grant of \$255.00. NYC will match Lane County's funding of scholarships with another \$7,500 contributed by community businesses, foundations and individuals.

Thanks for the tuition money, so I can have something to do during the summer and stay out of trouble. Chris H. Stewardship Project Participant

Match provided by NYC and its partners

Northwest Youth Corps and its partners provide \$108,261.65 towards to the 2005 *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project*.

- **Program Staffing** (\$23,169.66). NYC staffing costs (salaried and hourly staff, taxes, comp, health, and retirement) are supported by program fees paid by parents, and project sponsors.
- **Education Staffing** (\$33,953). Living expenses to support AmeriCorps Member team leaders are supported by a grant from the Oregon Commission on Community Action and Service.
- **Materials and Supplies** (\$6,643). Youth costs (shirts, hardhats, food, manuals, postage, etc.) are supported by program fees paid by parents, and project sponsors.
- **Scholarships**. Local Businesses - including a realtor and three banks - are providing \$7,500.00 in scholarships.
- **Occupancy, Transportation, Tools** (\$15,191.29). Program facilities, vehicles, tools are supported by program fees paid by parents, and project sponsors.
- **Indirect Costs** (\$21,804.71) are supported by program and project sponsors.



Exploring nature while walking to the job site.

Thank you so much for supporting NYC. I found out about it last year, and I'm not going to stop coming. I love it here, we get to meet friends, and be outside. We are able to learn about other people, and about our environment. Thank you for supporting this program.
Cassi C. Stewardship Project Participant

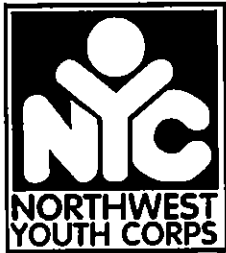
Continuing Success in 2005

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Thank you for your consideration of this proposal to support a second year of funding for the *Lane County Youth Stewardship Project*. Together we help Lane County youth make a difference, as a team, in the field, and in their community.



Youth happily making a difference!



May 16th, 2005

Christine Moody
Lane County Budget Analyst
125 East 8th Avenue
Eugene, OR 97401

Dear Christine;

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss the Lane County Youth Stewardship Project (LCYSP) last week. I appreciated the candid conversation and the concerns of Commissioners Morrison and Dwyer. We have been delighted to receive the support of Lane County Title III dollars in the past and look forward to continued support from the County in the future. In this letter and supporting documents, I will attempt to address the Commissioner's concerns regarding our 2006 LCYSP proposal.

During our meeting on May 12th, the Commissioner Morrison expressed three areas in which she wanted additional information. These included:

1. Education and a desire to see the curriculum the LCYSP program uses.
2. Documentation of who other program partners are and what amount they contribute.
3. A list of Federal and Non-Federal work projects that LCYSP participants participate in.

1. Education

Included in this packet is a Resource Guide that LCYSP Staff use on a daily basis to provide forest related education. In addition, all staff are given a copy of our SEED guide, an accredited four week curriculum. Staff are trained in the use of these curriculum guides and every LCYSP team does at least one education session each day. These collections are used to instruct participants in forest related lessons, including, but not limit to:

Forest Ecology
Oceans, Tides, and Tidepools
Animal Ecology
Salmon Lifecycle
Map Reading
Northwest Geology

Dynamics of Old Growth Forest
Leave No Trace Camping
River Ecology
Northwest Trees
Succession
Fire Ecology

Forest Related Education is the unifying theme of the Lane County Youth Stewardship Program. Each day, participants are engaging the forest environment in a hands-on manner. Three days each week, they engage in service learning projects in the forest or wetlands. Two days each week are spent on educational field trips throughout Lane County. All of these experiences include instruction in forest related education as well as life skills and civic action curriculum. The goal of the LCYSP program is to graduate participants with a better understanding of our public lands and themselves, with the hope that they become better and more active members of their communities.

2. Program Partners

Our application specified a number of partners who are providing resources to make the LCYSP successful. Commissioner Morrison had requested a breakdown of how much each of these partners are contributing. This information is listed below:

- Northwest Youth Corps
 - Parent Tuition \$27,000.00
 - Program support: Materials and supplies (shirts, hard hats
Food, manuals, etc.), and program staffing
 - In Kind Support
 - Vehicles, Tools, Equipment, Occupancy \$ 2,808.66
- Lane County Title III (Requested)
 - Participant Stipends and Recruitment Costs, and \$45,307.00
 - Occupancy, Transportation, tools \$15,191.29
 - Youth Scholarships \$ 7,500.00
- Oregon Commission on Community action and Service \$33,953.00
 - Americorps Team Leader Educator Staffing
- Private Donors (Mostly Local Business)
 - Youth Scholarships, \$ 7,500.00
 - Program Support (Occupancy, \$ 2,000.00
 - Transportation, tools, etc)
- Work Project Sponsors (Budgeted) \$35,000.00
 - Program Staffing, Occupancy, Transportation,
 - Tools, and indirect costs.

Project Total: **\$176,259.95**

3. Break Down of Federal and Non-Federal Work Projects:

Below is listing of hours spent on work projects during the summer of 2004. Going into this process, we felt confident that the mix of projects would be similar in the summer of 2005. We are committed to ensuring that all LCYSP activities comply with the Legislation and were surprised to find that most work projects had to be with Federal partners. The understanding that we have been working under is that Title III support for the program satisfied Category 4 – Forest Related Educational Opportunities and have been unable to locate language that requires work and education activities be performed on Federal land. We want to work together to ensure the LCYSP activities satisfy the letter and spirit of the legislation, particularly in this year of reauthorization. We would appreciate the opportunity to further explore this requirement and make sure our activities are in full compliance with the Legislation.

Lane County Youth Stewardship Project Hours Summer 2004		
Project Partners	Hours	Percentage of Overall
The Bureau of Land Management	849.75	18%
Army Corps of Engineers	864.25	19%
The Nature Conservancy of Oregon	734	16%
Lane County Parks and Recreation	296.5	6%
McKenzie River Trust	1228	27%
Community Associations	321	7%
Springfield Utility Board	119.75	3%
Eugene Parks and Rec.	215	5%
	4628.25	100%

We would appreciate the opportunity to respond to any other questions the Commissioners have regarding the Lane County Youth Stewardship Project. Last year, 162 Lane County teens benefited from the support Lane County Title III dollars and it is our hope that we can work collaboratively with the Commissioners to ensure the program complies with the enabling legislation and can help more Lane County Youth learn about the forest and themselves during 2006. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me right away.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Jeff Parker", written over a horizontal line. The signature is somewhat stylized and scribbled.

Jeff Parker
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Northwest Youth Corps
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Enclosures

cc: Commissioner Anna Morrison
Commissioner Bill Dwyer
Anthony Bieda

**LANE ARTS COUNCIL
PROPOSAL**

\$45,000



YouthArts

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January 31, 2005

Lane County Commissioners
c/o John R. Arnold, Management Analyst II
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Dear Lane County Commissioners,

Thank you again for your support in funding non-school time activities that integrate environmental, science and arts education through the Title III Secure Rural Schools fund. We have enclosed for your information and we hope enjoyment, a mid-term summary of activities and highlights; along with a list of activities (page 7) we are planning and expect to complete by the end of the grant cycle in June 2005. Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or would like any additional information.

The report also includes a brief indication of projects that we would like to support beyond the current 2004-05 funding cycle (page 3). Many include continuations of programs and partnerships established prior to receiving Title III funds, but that have also benefited and been enhanced by your support this past year.

One of the challenges we faced last year was the timing of notification (in June 2004), by which time, most of our summer activities were set and we had little lead time to fully develop other youth opportunities. As a result we focused primarily on enhancing and extending what was in place.

I know that we cannot assume that the second year of our original 2-year request is "automatic" and that you have schedules and procedures to follow. At the same time, the sooner we know if funds are available for 2005-06, the more we can maximize opportunities for as many children as possible. This is especially true for our summer planning, most of which needs to be confirmed by mid-April. I would very much appreciate your consideration and to know what we can provide that might help us in meeting this timing need.

Thank you again on behalf of the children, their families and the artists that are benefiting from your support.

Sincerely,

Catherine Ballard, Ph.D.
YouthArts Director
Lane Arts Council

Youth Arts

A Program of Life Arts Center

Projects supported
by the Tula III Sacred
Rural Schools Fund
through the Board of Tullahoma
County Commissioners

July-December 2004



Richard Miller

YouthArts Title III Funded Projects July-December 2004

Engaging youth, professional artists, and communities in quality, accessible arts programming is the goal of YouthArts.

This is a summary of non-school time YouthArts projects that were supported by the Title III Secure Rural Schools fund through the Board of Lane County Commissioners. It includes activities that took place between July and December 2004, as well as anticipated activities for winter through summer 2005.



Taking a closer look at nature

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Water fowl in watercolor

"The youth gained a sense of accomplishment.... They were exposed to a variety of art forms and community artists. They also gained information about the land that surrounds them and their school."
- Laura Jackson, Cottage Grove Jungle Safari Arts Camp coordinator/artist

Photographs taken by:
Catherine Ballard, Tara
Bambrey-Jecklin, Ramona
McMullen, Jenny Ramsey
and Sara Shire.

Measuring Accomplishments

Summary of Activities and Participation

YouthArts addressed Title III Secure Rural Schools goals by providing non-school time activities that integrated environmental education through explorations of arts and culture.

Activities from July-December 2004:

- Engaged 425 youth and 27 teens
- Provided 285 contact hours
- Connected at least 35 artists and presenters with youth
- Were held in 4 communities

All of the activities involved collaborative partnerships. As a result, in most cases Title III dollars were not the sole source of support. Funds were used in a range of ways, including to:

- Enhance and extend pre-existing and on-going after school and summer projects
- Facilitate new non-school time partnership activities aligned with Title III and partner goals
- Supplement one-time events and short-term projects



"I learned about origami and measuring. My most favorite activity was making the poster about dragonflies."

"I love Adventure Thursdays! I always take the science and cooking. Today, I learned about the science of color. We did real experiments!"

- Explorers Club students

Playing with patterns in clay

On the following pages you will find highlights from these activities:

- Explorers Club at Veneta Elementary
- YES! YEA!Days at The Science Factory
- Our Beautiful McKenzie Valley Project
- Cottage Grove Jungle Safari Arts Camp

Also provided are brief descriptions of anticipated activities for winter and spring 2005:

- YES! YEA!Days
- ArtsParty
- Glitterary Festival
- McKenzie After-School
- Teen Projects
- Explorers Club

In addition, dependent upon future funding, there are several possibilities for summer 2005:

- Cottage Grove Arts Camp
- McKenzie Summer Project
- Explorers Club
- Activities at The Science Factory
- Literary Camps



Happy puppet-maker

July-December 2004
Activity Highlights

Wild and wonderful activities year-round

Explorers Club at Veneta Elementary

This on-going after-school and summer project began in spring 2004 with funds from an Oregon Department of Education 21st Century Learning Center Grant.

After-school, Monday through Thursday, around 75 Veneta Elementary youth in grades K-5 are engaged in fun art, science, literary, and math activities.



Creating trees



Wildlife watercolor

The summer 2004 session focused on **“The Wild and Wonderful”** and **“Backyard Adventures.”** 121 area youth in grades K-8 attended the day camp. Twelve teen assistants were involved. Four of the teens also participated in a **“Wildlife Extravaganza”** project, working with two artists to learn about the local environment and create posters and clay tile panels for the Fern Ridge Wildlife Refuge.

Explorers Club continues into spring 2005 and beyond. Over 25 artists/presenters have been involved so far.

Integrating arts and science

YES! YEA! Days at The Science Factory

Young Escapades in Science/Young Escapades in the Arts (YES!/YEA!) Days are full-day activities presented by Young Writers Association.



Listening to tree tales



In partnership with YouthArts, YES! YEA! Days were held at The Science Factory in Eugene on six school days out during fall 2004. Youth in grades 1-5 explored "treecentric" Northwest American tales, science, and arts. An average of 30 youth attended each day.

Examining northwest flora

Capturing nature through the eyes of teens

Our Beautiful McKenzie Valley

Artist Heidi Mitchell spent July 2004 teaching five McKenzie area teens the art of porcelain painting. The resulting tiles and plates capture images from the local natural environment. The teens earned a stipend for participating in the project.



Discovering the details of nature

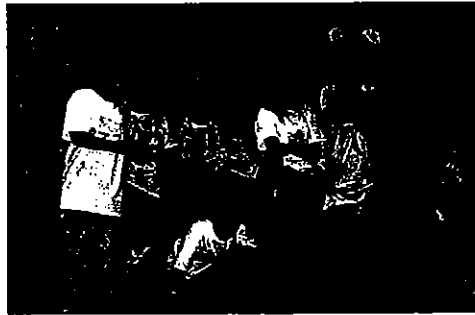


The artwork was displayed at the September McKenzie Arts Festival and plans are being made to install it at the McKenzie schools.

Exploring our backyard

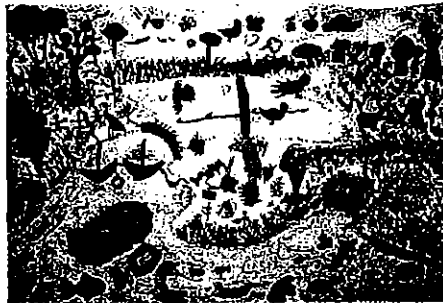
Cottage Grove Jungle Safari Arts Camp

This summer camp was held July 12-22, 2004. Forty-five youth in grades 1-7 explored the sights, sounds, stories, and rhythms of the “jungle” in their own backyard. Six teens assisted the four artists. Watershed education was the focus of several activities.



Family open house performance

The community gained a “safe environment for their children to experience the arts during the summer. The school also gained a kit on wetlands education put together by Dian Missar and myself.” -Laura Jackson, coordinator/artist



Watershed mural on canvas

“You all did an amazing job in a very short amount of time, and it really sparked at the final program. Thank you all for your enthusiasm and eagerness to do this for the kids. They all seemed to have a really awesome time...thank you for keeping the arts alive in Cottage Grove.”

-Doreen Kester, parent

January-June 2005

Anticipated Activities

YES! YEA!Days

Six more YES! YEA!Days including one at **Homes and Haunts—Habitats** Northwest at **The Science Factory** for January through June.

A YES! YEA!Day at **Latham Elementary** on January 24.

ArtsParty

Creswell Community Center dinner-time arts workshop with **Arts in the Community** on February 25 for all ages.

Latham Elementary scheduled for April 27.

Glitterary Festival

A free, multi-media event in conjunction with literary and arts activities of the **Writers Association**. This year's "Pacific" theme is on April 30 at **Glitterary**.

McKenzie After-School

14 hours of after-school activities at **McKenzie Elementary** for January through June.

Teen Projects

One to three teen projects considered: two community murals in conjunction with **Stage Directions Theaterworks** in **Concord**.

Explorers Club

This project continues through **spring 2005** and beyond, providing after-school and summer activities to youth in **Veneta**.

Budget Summary

Title III Secure Rural Schools Funds through the Board of Lane County Commissioners

Actual Allocations of Title III Funds as of 12/30/04

	Jungle Safari Cottage Grove Summer 2004	Explorers Club Veneta Summer 2004	Our Beautiful McKenzie Summer 2004	6 YES! YEALDays Eugene/Springfield non-school 2004	Totals
Artist/Presenters	3,380	2,500	726	3,740	9,620
Teens					726
Site Coordination					1,200
Art/Project Supplies	360	1,500	199	900	2,959
Site Supplies/Food				600	600
Transportation	92		63		155
Marketing/Promo/Printing Facilities	421			369	790
LAC Coord/Admin Overhead	2,000	750	750	1,000	1,000
Totals	6,253	4,750	1,738	1,500	5,000
Project In-kind Support	6,360	7,599	2,818	10,399	17,879
Project Totals (including Title III)	10,721	19,457	2,818	10,399	43,395
.....					61,274
Projected Allocations, January-June 2005					
Explorers Club (Veneta) After-School	3,000				
6 YES! YEALDays (The Science Factory)	7,800				
McKenzie After-School and YEALDay	3,000				
3 One-time Events in 3 Communities	3,150				
1-3 Teen Projects	2,000				
LAC Coord/Admin Overhead	4,000				
Total Projected	22,950				
Previously Allocated	22,050				
Total	45,000				
		1,075 youth			341 hours of engagement opportunity
		Estimated Participation			Estimated Hours
		160, grades K-8			200+
		240, grades 1-5			48
		75, grades K-8			33
		580, grades K-8 & families			16
		20 teens			60

Prepared by Catherine Ballard, YouthArts Director, Lane Arts Council. cballard@lanearts.org. 541/485-2278.

YouthArts would like to thank the artists, teens, and others who shared their expertise and passion for the arts in these projects.

Explorers Club		
Coordinators		
Jenny Ramsey	Annette Rothweller	
Roxanne Oberfoell	The Science Factory	
Trish Burns	Gayle Smith	
Artists and Presenters		
Christine Atkinson	Andrew Teem	
Toby Barwood	Mara Thygeson	
Mindy Brady	Anthony Vanderford	
Judy Chamblee	Antonio Vicioso	
Tracy Engholm	Luthie West	
Merideth Ferrell	Young Writers Association	
Karen Glickman	Teen Assistants	
Robert Hill Long	Katie Bruce	
Kay Irish	TJ Burns	
Victoria Koch	Briana Cesany	
Robin Koontz	Erin Driscoll	
Alex Lanham	Megan Driscoll	
Louisa Lindsay-Sprouse	Emily Escobosa	
Robin Marks-Fife	Anna Faust	
Tim McCall	Claire Faust	
Karen Moeller	Corina Pusch	
Carolyn Osborn-Sommer	Becky Rothweller	
	Sara Slager	
	Eric Ware	



Cottage Grove Jungle Safari Arts Camp	
Coordinators	
Mike Kerns	Teen Assistants
Laura Jackson	Caitlyn Dillon
Artists	
Shelly Davey	DeAnne Galbraith
Joanna Newton	Emily Henderson
Leslie Rubinstein	Rebecca Halladay
Tony Willey	Brian McClellan
	Amber Morgan



Our Beautiful McKenzie
Artist
Heidi Mitchell
Teens
Shylla Costello
Zyanna Esparza
Amber Holland
Alexandra Nelson
Tim Zimmerman

YES! YEAIDays
Artist and Presenters
Louisa Lindsay-Sprouse
Susan Applegate
Lola Broomberg
Tracey Edmundson
Rich Glauber
Andrew Teem

Lane Arts Council Staff

Andrew Toney, Executive Director; Catherine Ballard, YouthArts Director;
Tara Bambrey-Jecklin, YouthArts Manager; Chelsea Cannon, Arts Program Assistant;
Tina Rinaldi, Jacobs Gallery Director

RED CROSS PROPOSAL

\$60,000 total
over 2 years



FACTS

Oregon Pacific Chapter
Serving Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas,
Lane, Lincoln & Linn counties

Based on the July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004 Financial Year

Mission Statement

The American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization, led by volunteers, that provides relief to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. It does this through services that are consistent with its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross.

Disaster Services

Responds to an average of 3-5 home fires each week. Red Cross provided on-call emergency food, shelter, clothing, medical supplies, and counseling as well as emergency assistance to 158 families in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties this year. Whether a disaster affects a single family or an entire community, the Red Cross responds with more than 700 highly trained volunteers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Armed Forces Emergency Services – AFES

Red Cross military caseworkers responded to 581 emergency situations by relaying urgent messages regarding births, deaths or serious illness to military personnel and families in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties.

Youth Programs

Teach teens and children how to detect and prevent emergency situations as well as how to respond effectively when injuries and accidents occur. This year, 5,959 children were taught through our Super Safety, Basic Aid Training, Water Safety, Babysitting programs and health presentations in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties.

FAST (First Aid Service Team) comprised of high school students and adults in Lane County provides emergency First Aid/CPR at community events with a focus on at-risk and rural youth. This year, the team provided first aid to 317 people at 35 events such as U of O football games, the Whiteaker and Willamalane Community Dinners, Special Olympics, track events & cultural festivals.

Health & Safety Programs

Teaches adults how to detect and prevent situations as well as how to respond effectively when injuries and accidents occur. Courses offered to individuals or businesses include First Aid, CPR, Water Safety, AED, Anti-Choke and CPR for the Professional Rescuer. This year, 19,635 individuals were trained in Health & Safety Services in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties.

Blood Services

More than 6,700 volunteers assisted in the collection of more than 25,000 units of blood from Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lincoln and Linn counties last year. These units of blood can then be processed into four separate products to help save lives throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Meals on Wheels

Provides hot, nutritious meals to homebound elderly in Lane County by caring, friendly volunteers. This year 60,605 meals were served to 470 homebound elderly allowing them to lead comfortable, dignified lives at home. More than 130 volunteers assist with this program each year.

Child Care Food Program

Allows registered childcare providers to be reimbursed for nutritious meals and snacks. This year approximately 5,000 children were served 1.2 million nutritious meals and snacks through our USDA Child Care Food Program in Lane County.

Information & Referrals

The Oregon Pacific Chapter responded to more than 7,500 Information and Referral calls this year. Information and Referral services range from locating friends and family members during disasters, to scheduling adults and youth for safety training and preparedness, to referring people to other agencies for assistance.

Over 5,500 volunteers make the programs of the Oregon Pacific Chapter of the American Red Cross possible. Your support of the Oregon Pacific Chapter ensures that essential Red Cross programs and services will continue in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties. To volunteer or for further information regarding Oregon Pacific Chapter, call (541) 344-5244 or inquire at 862 Bethel Drive, Eugene, OR 97402, or contact your local Red Cross district office or visit online at www.oregonpacific.redcross.org.



Lane County
Request for funding under Title III

Organization: American Red Cross – Oregon Pacific Chapter
Contact Person: Daniel A. Jud, Director Emergency Services
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Phone: 344-5244
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Title III Category: Fire Prevention and County Planning

Fire prevention and county planning. -- A county may use these funds for --

1. Efforts to educate homeowners in fire-sensitive ecosystems about the consequences of wildfires and techniques in home siting, home construction, and home landscaping that can increase the protection of people and property from wildfires; and
2. Planning efforts to reduce or mitigate the impact of development on adjacent Federal lands and to increase the protection of people and property from wildfires.

Amount of Funding Requested: \$30,000 per fiscal year, biennium total \$60,000

Program Description: Wildfire Response Planning in Lane County

The mission of the American Red Cross is to help people and communities, prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies. We do this on a daily basis as we give preparedness information to thousands of people, respond to 100-150 house fires a year and open shelters and provide direct relief in the event of major disasters.

We dedicate time and resources to planning for a major wildfire event in Lane County. This year, with the extreme lack of rain, there is a special need for wildfire planning. The Red Cross is proud of our ability to open a shelter for 100 people or more anywhere in the County with two hours notice. This level of readiness requires continuous and well managed planning and preparation, as well as major expenditures.

Our wildfire planning can be broken down in to three major areas:

□ **Volunteer, Recruitment, Management and Training**

Volunteers are the backbone of the delivery of Red Cross services. In Lane County we have five Disaster Action teams. Each team consists of 10-15 well-trained volunteers, ready to respond to any disaster at a moment's notice. They will be Red Cross first responders on any event from a house fire, to a wildland fire, to a tsunami. We have another 150 volunteers ready to respond to major disasters. We are just beginning to train new shelter teams whose sole purpose will be to open mass care shelters and feed people after a major disaster.

Each of our Disaster Action Team members must take eight training courses totaling thirty-one hours of training: Introduction to Disaster Services, Disaster Assessment, Mass Care, Shelter Operations, Shelter Simulation and CPR/First Aid. Each member is provided with a Disaster Action Team Kit, a Red Cross jacket and each team is provided with cell phones, pagers and several bags of emergency supplies. Volunteers regularly participate in internal and external exercises to better prepare our organization for effective disaster response. All training and equipment is free to the volunteers, but the agency bears the cost. We estimate that the cost of equipping and training a volunteer is about \$150.00.

Equipment and Supplies

The Red Cross maintains caches of shelter supplies at various locations around the county. We stock disaster supplies in Eugene, Springfield, three locations in the McKenzie River Valley, Cottage Grove, Oakridge and Florence. We maintain an Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) as well as four vans capable of supporting a shelter response. The ERV is a mobile feeding vehicle and can also transport basic disaster supplies. Our fleet of vehicles enables us to respond anywhere in the county where a wildfire might threaten human habitation.

All of this equipment must be properly maintained, inventoried, and distributed. It takes a major commitment of money and time to ensure that we will have adequate equipment and supplies for a wildfire response.

Communications and Relationship Building

The Emergency Services paid staff and volunteers of the Oregon Pacific Chapter reach out to the numerous and diverse resource providers that may be involved in a wildfire response. The Red Cross develops Statements of Understanding and Memorandums of Understanding with a variety of government and non-profit providers. The benefits of this focused communication and planning effort are realized when an actual wildfire occurs and the Red Cross can quickly craft a coordinated Response Plan with the involved wildfire response providers. The Red Cross works with the following organizations when responding and in preparation for a wildfire:

- Law enforcement-local, county, state
- Fire services, city, county, rural fire districts, state fire marshals
- Wildfire Response Services-BLM, Oregon State Parks, Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Forest Service
- Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)-Humane Society, Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul
- City Administrators
- Public Works Departments
- Oregon Department of Transportation
- Lane County Emergency Management
- 911 Dispatch Centers

- Churches
- School Districts

In addition the Red Cross has developed mutual aid agreements with bordering Red Cross units to insure a coordinated Red Cross response to a large-scale emergency

How the Project Fits in the Title III Authorized User Category

The Willamette National Forest covers over 1,675,407 acres, much of it in Lane County. The forest borders on many populated communities.

- Springfield, while not directly on the border could be impacted.
- Walterville
- Leaburg
- Vida
- Blue River
- McKenzie Bridge
- Lowell
- Dexter
- Oakridge

The Siuslaw National Forest covers 66630,000 acres, 246,00 acres in Western Lane County. It borders on the communities of Florence, Mapleton and numerous small inhabited areas.

The Umpqua National Forest lies partly in Lane County but borders very few inhabited areas.

Whether in isolated communities or larger cities and towns, thousands of people are at risk in the event of a wildfire emergency. It is the mission of the Red Cross to respond to every disaster that happens in our jurisdiction. With the huge amount of National Forest acreage in Lane County, plus the large amount of forest land that is privately owned or managed by the BLM, wildfires are a potential huge disaster. Especially with the drought conditions we have suffered in 2005, the danger of wildfire is even greater.

We are prepared to come to the assistance of all Lane County residents who are impacted by wildfire. Our national standards require that we can feed 100% of the impacted population plus the emergency responders within six hours of notification of an event. We can open shelters in two hours. But we understand we cannot do this work alone. We work closely with Lane County Emergency Management and have been communicating about the Community Wildfire Protection Plan. We are constantly educating the public about the need to prepare for disaster, develop a Family Plan and put together a Disaster Supplies Kit. No other group besides the Red Cross has the ability to respond immediately to the human needs for shelter and food created by a disaster. The Biscuit Fire of 2002, which burned nearly 500,000 acres is an example. The Red Cross was prepared to feed and shelter 20,00 evacuees if necessary.

Other Funding Sources

The Oregon Pacific Chapter of the American Red Cross receives funding from a number of sources, including the United Way, donations from the American public, class fees and grants. The Red Cross is not a government agency and does not receive regular funding from Federal or State budgets. It is expensive to plan and prepare for major disasters such as wildland fires, but to ignore the risks and not prepare will cost a great deal more.

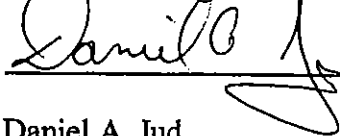
Expected Outcomes

The recent Florida Hurricanes, as well as the devastating December tsunami, have shown us the power of nature to disrupt our lives, cause property damage and cause death and injury. We need to be prepared to face the possibility of wildfires and other potential disasters.

With additional funding from Title III, the Oregon Pacific Chapter of the American Red Cross will increase our ability to respond to the needs of our rural residents who are displaced by wildfire. We will be able to train shelter teams in our rural communities, who will have the knowledge and resources to open shelters and feed residents in their own communities. We will be able to purchase the necessary training supplies to train additional volunteers. We will be able to purchase and store additional cots and blankets in rural areas, so that shelters can be opened quickly and we can provide for our most vulnerable community members. We will be able to focus more of our resources on disaster planning for the areas surrounding our national forests. We will be better able to purchase and maintain our vehicle fleet and our shelter supplies.

We take very seriously our responsibility to provide immediate assistance to victims of wildfires and other disasters in Lane County. The efforts of our paid staff and hundreds of volunteers will become more effective in meeting these needs with the addition of Title III funding.

Authorized Signature:



Daniel A. Jud
Director Emergency Services
Oregon Pacific Chapter
American Red Cross

Willamette Resources &
Educational Network
(Camp Discovery)
PROPOSAL

\$25,200

County Payments Special Projects - Title III

Project Application Form

Title III Category: Category 4 – Forest-Related Educational Opportunities and After-School Education

Project Title: Camp Discovery

Brief project description and justification:

Organization description:

The Willamette Resources and Educational Network (WREN) is a member of the West Eugene Wetlands (WEW) partnership. Since 1992 the WEW partnership has worked hard and collaborated with community volunteers, scientists, educators, government and environmental organizations to secure more than 2,500 acres including the rare Willamette wet prairie habitat, forested wetlands, oak savannahs and oak forests. WREN works with community members and volunteers to raise awareness, develop understanding, and ultimately engage in stewardship activities to protect this unique resource, including resident threatened and endangered species.

From its inception, the West Eugene Wetlands Partnership has placed a high value on science education and outreach programming. WREN was created in 2001 as a 501(c)(3) specifically developed to serve this need. WREN has developed volunteer naturalist and teacher training programs, K-12 natural resource education programs and informal education programs for all ages. WREN also collaborates with high school students from the Rachel Carson School for Natural Resources to provide real-life work experience and education. In addition, the West Eugene Wetlands are located in the Bethel School District. As such, WREN provides one of the few opportunities for forest-related and after-school education on the west side of Eugene.

In 2004 WREN reached nearly 3,000 Lane County residents, more than doubling the amount reached in 2003. As WREN continues to grow, it is expected to again double its outreach in the next year.

Project description:

WREN is proposing a three-phase project for Title III After-School Forest-Related Funding that will begin in the early summer of 2005 and continue through June 2006. The ultimate goal of the project is the implementation of a forest-related educational summer camp directed by WREN that will explore various Willamette Valley habitat types.

Summer 2004 Collaboration

In an attempt to broaden the outreach of its educational program, WREN partnered with the City of Eugene in the summer of 2004 through the Adventure Seekers Day Camp. This camp consisted of weekly themes incorporated throughout field trips and activities. It was aimed at 9-12 year olds and operated for 11 weeks from June through August. WREN provided the camp with structured natural resource and forest-related educational field trips and activities. Due to financial constraints, WREN's work with the City was limited to the first five weeks of this camp, and even then, much of WREN's involvement was subsidized or donated. Themes for the camp included forestry, eco-art, aquatic animal life, fire ecology, wildlife of various habitats and watersheds and water quality. Field trips fit weekly themes. Campers traveled to the coast, Finley National Wildlife Refuge, Willamette National Forest and other venues around the Willamette Valley.

In 2004, WREN's partnership with the camp was extremely successful in bringing together elements of fun and learning into a cooperative environment. Rather than simply hiking a trail, knowledgeable guides

accompanied campers and counselors and provided interpretive information and activities along the way. Arts and crafts activities were chosen to incorporate weekly themes and provide education.

TITLE III AFTER-SCHOOL FOREST-RELATED EDUCATION PROGRAM

Part I-Summer 2005

This summer (2005) WREN and the City would again like to partner to further the educational experience for campers and expand upon last year's success. The partnership is important to the success of the camp by providing enough staff to ensure camper safety and security as well as significant educational opportunities. WREN staff and volunteers are trained in outdoor education and program delivery. As such, they provide much-needed organizational and teaching skills. WREN has also developed a strong relationship with many agencies in the Eugene area and is able to provide contacts with local outdoor educators that might otherwise be overlooked.

Part II-Winter/Spring 2005-06

After two years of working in a successful partnership, WREN's experience has demonstrated that there is a need for a specialized after-school summer camp educational program on the west side of town. WREN staff will analyze what was learned from the partnership with the City, including what was successful and what was not. A solid plan for a WREN-sponsored camp, entitled Camp Discovery, will be created, including transportation needs and logistics, weekly themes and field trip locations. Advertising for Camp Discovery will begin in early spring of 2006 to ensure enough time to meet registration requirements.

Part III-Summer 2006

WREN will pilot a natural resource summer camp program, which will operate for 3 weeks in 2006. This after-school forest-related summer camp will have its home base in the West Eugene Wetlands where campers will congregate each morning. WREN anticipates reaching approximately sixty campers, twenty each week for three weeks, in the summer of 2006. Each week will have a different theme, centered on sound, forest-related, educational topics. Several days each week will be spent traveling to various sites around the Willamette Valley to learn about ecosystems, outdoor skills and outdoor etiquette. Currently WREN anticipates the exploration of Finley National Wildlife Refuge, the Willamette and Siuslaw National Forests, various Lane County Park sites and the West Eugene Wetlands oak forest habitats. Campers will be transported to these areas on busses, or, when within the West Eugene Wetlands, by bike along the Fern Ridge bike path.

This camp will be aimed at 8-12 year olds and will be heavily advertised in the Bethel School District, as that is where the WEW are located. As of yet there is not an education-based camp offered on the west side of Eugene, ensuring that Camp Discovery will attract a new audience and not compete with already established camps. In order to be available to all sectors of the population, WREN will offer scholarships to low-income families.

Duration of the project:

Although most projects funded through Title III have a duration of one year or less, in order to have time to prepare for a camp that starts in June, WREN's proposed project will last for 14 months. The Adventure Seekers camp runs from June 20th through September 2nd, 2005. WREN is committed to being a partner in this project through the end of the summer. In addition, WREN's participation in this camp will be viewed as preparatory for creating a camp run by WREN alone in the summer of 2006. With funds from Title III WREN will be a more active partner in camp planning and activities for the duration of the summer. WREN will also provide a one day training course on natural resource education for City of Eugene staff the first weekend in June.

As well as developing in campers an appreciation for the natural world, City of Eugene staff will be trained in environmental and outdoor education and will, by the end of the summer, be able to demonstrate these skills.

WREN benefits from this partnership in several ways. Most of WREN's current programming is focused on wetland habitats including wet prairie, oak savannah and forested wetlands. By working with Adventure Seekers WREN will continue to expand its education program to new areas and environments, such as forests and coastal ecosystems. In addition, WREN will reach out to a new audience of children and parents who are already involved with the City of Eugene recreation programs. As a result of two summers working with an established and successful camp, WREN staff will gain invaluable experience in camp administration and implementation. It is expected that WREN will reach approximately 200 children this summer through the Adventure Seekers camp.

School year 2005-06

Even three weeks of summer camp require a tremendous amount of planning time to ensure that when campers arrive on the first day, things will run smoothly. By having an entire school year to work out details, WREN will be well-prepared when that day arrives.

By the time Camp Discovery begins in June 2006, weekly themes will have been decided, field trips and activities will be planned and visits from guest speakers will be arranged. In addition, transportation needs will be coordinated, equipment and supplies that can be bought in advance will be purchased and volunteers and staff will be trained in camp rules and regulations as well natural resource education fundamentals.

In order to have a successful camp that is cost-efficient, significant advertising must occur in the months prior to the first day of camp. As is done currently, all local means of free advertising will be utilized. In order to reach a larger audience, there is a need for paid advertising that should be used as well. Ads will be placed in local newspapers, on the radio and on television stations. If possible, radio and TV interviews will be scheduled. In addition, WREN already has a mailing list for the newsletter, the *Wetland Word* and articles and information about camp will be published and sent out.

Summer 2006

WREN's mission statement commits WREN to promoting environmental education and scientific knowledge. After four years of operation on Eugene's west side, WREN has established a name as a respected provider of science and natural resource education in the community. WREN already has a successful series of formal and informal education programs that take place during the school year. With the successful completion of a summer camp program, WREN will be active year-round in providing educational opportunities to the local population.

Summer 2007

WREN will be able to expand Camp Discovery into six or seven weeks for the summer of 2007. If each week is filled to capacity WREN could potentially reach 140 children in that time. WREN anticipates that this camp will be successful year after year and will become a self-sustaining project that will be well-attended by new and repeat campers alike.

Evaluation plan for the project:

WREN's goal for this project is to successfully plan and implement a 3 week forest-related, after-school summer camp in 2006. Success of this project can be measured in numbers of campers registered.

At the end of the summer of 2005 WREN staff will meet to discuss what activities and ideas from the summer were successful and which ones had room for improvement. This data will be used throughout the school year to start planning Camp Discovery for the following summer.

The final part of Title III funds will not be used until June 2006 with the actual implementation of Camp Discovery. The project will be finished by mid- to late June 2006.

The long-term goal of this project is for Camp Discovery to become sustainable through memberships to WREN and camp tuition. As mentioned above, WREN will endeavor to reach sixty children in the first summer. As the program is expected to grow, WREN plans to expand the camp curriculum to include more weeks and reach 120 campers by the summer of 2007 and operate a self-sustaining natural resources youth camp in west Eugene.

Line-item budget for the Camp Discovery project:

Summer 2005-Adventure Seekers Camp

WREN staff time \$3,000

School year 2005-06-WREN camp development

Staff time for development \$4,500 (180 hours)

Advertising (spring '06) \$1,500 (60 hours)

WREN camp implementation

Staff time \$6,000

Volunteer stipends \$ 600

Transportation costs \$3,000

Supplies \$ 350

Equipment \$ 750

Americorps stipend for \$3,000

education assistant

Scholarships for low-income \$2,500

campers

TOTAL \$25,200

Source(s) of other funding for project if needed?

The Bureau of Land Management provides in-kind support for the Camp Discovery through the use of office space at \$2,500, the yurt located at 751 S. Danebo Ave. at \$750 and a port-a-potty at \$875.

WREN pays for liability insurance at a rate of \$1627 annually.

Expected outcomes of the project:

Summer 2005

The Adventure Seekers camp provides local children with a wonderful chance to be outside and enjoy the outdoors while at the same time learning more about the natural world. With the addition of WREN as a partner in planning and implementing field trips and activities, educational opportunities will be increased and multiplied. The current primary focus of Adventure Seekers is on recreation and providing campers with a safe place to have fun during the summer. WREN's trained staff and volunteers bring to the camp an element of education and structure while maintaining the essential element of fun.

WREN will strive to fill the camps to a capacity of twenty participants each week. Evaluation forms will also be distributed to parents at the conclusion of each week (see attachment). These forms will be analyzed by WREN staff and any appropriate changes made on a weekly basis.

Evaluation of the project will also be determined through the planning of Camp Discovery for the summer of 2007. Eventually WREN would like the camp to become an annual event, sustainably supported through memberships and donations, as well as camp tuition fees.

How is the project in the County's (public) interest?

With the continued partnership between WREN and the City of Eugene, the camp curriculum this summer will maintain and expand upon a variety of activities. As a result, campers will have a chance to visit and learn about a myriad of ecosystems around the Willamette Valley. A study completed in May 2004 entitled Understanding Environmental Literacy in America found that some of the most critical adult environmental education happens when parents learn from their children (Coyle, 2004). It can be expected that many of the sites visited by campers will also be visited by their families, with the intent of further exploring the resources available to them.

Field trips for each week of camp are scheduled based on the theme of the week. For example, last year during the "Into the Woods" week campers explored the woods of Finley National Wildlife Refuge, the old growth forest near Cape Perpetua and the recently burned forest near Fall Creek Reservoir. At each site, campers learned characteristics of different forest types, local wildlife information and proper hiking and outdoor etiquette.

A demonstrated need has been shown by parents and families living on the western side of Eugene for a summer camp closer to their homes and neighborhoods. While there are already well established camps in Eugene that focus on outdoor education, they are all based out of the downtown area (Alton Baker Park) or to the east of the City (Mt. Pisgah). Of the camps that are available to families on the west end of town, they are focused more on recreation and are relatively unstructured. Both styles of summer camp are proven to be popular with different sectors of the population.

An educational summer camp based out of the West Eugene Wetlands would be a first attempt at establishing this resource in a geographic location that is accessible to a new audience of parents and children looking for an educational, but fun, way to spend the summer. WREN will also emphasize opportunities and visitation at Lane County Parks and plan appropriate activities where opportunities exist for field trips.

Project submitted by:

WREN (Willamette Resources and Educational Network)

Project contact:

Holly McRae
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(541)683-6494
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Signed: Tim Whitley
Tim Whitley, WREN Board President

Date 3/16/05

CAMP DISCOVERY
Evaluation Form

Which week was your child in camp?

Which field trip(s) did your child enjoy most?

Which field trip(s) did your child enjoy least?

Which activities did your child enjoy most?

Which activities did your child enjoy least?

Did Camp Discovery provide significant learning opportunities for your child? If so, how?

Was camp staff reliable and professional?

Any additional comments?

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: JUN 11 2001

WILLAMETTE RESOURCES AND
EDUCATIONAL NETWORK
C/O DAVID ATKIN
NONPROFIT SUPPORT SERVICES
PO BOX 10008
EUGENE, OR 97440-0000

Employer Identification Number:
93-1287717

DLN:
17053134025041

Contact Person:
TERRI SARVIS

Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500

ID# 31055

Accounting Period Ending:
December 31

Foundation Status Classification:
509(a)(1)

Advance Ruling Period Begins:
February 3, 2000

Advance Ruling Period Ends:
December 31, 2004

Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must send us the information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, we will classify you as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, we will classify you as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if we classify you as a private foundation, we will treat you as a private foundation from your beginning date for purposes of section 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and

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contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make a final determination of your foundation status.

If we publish a notice in the Internal Revenue Bulletin stating that we will no longer treat you as a publicly supported organization, grantors and contributors may not rely on this determination after the date we publish the notice. In addition, if you lose your status as a publicly supported organization, and a grantor or contributor was responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, that resulted in your loss of such status, that person may not rely on this determination from the date of the act or failure to act. Also, if a grantor or contributor learned that we had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a publicly supported organization, then that person may not rely on this determination as of the date he or she acquired such knowledge.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the private foundation excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, gives guidelines regarding when taxpayers may deduct payments for admission to, or other participation in, fundraising activities for charity.

You are not required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, if your gross receipts each year are normally \$25,000 or less. If you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return. Because you will be treated as a public charity for return filing purposes during your entire advance ruling

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period, you should file Form 990 for each year in your advance ruling period that you exceed the \$25,000 filing threshold even if your sources of support do not satisfy the public support test specified in the heading of this letter.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, we will assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

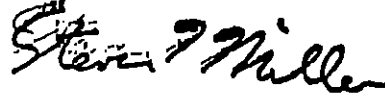
Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

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If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

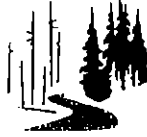
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Steven T. Miller
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure(s) :
Form 872-C

Communities for
Healthy Forests
PROPOSAL

\$40,000



Communities for
HEALTHY FORESTS

MAR 29 2005

Lane County Board of Commissioners
Lane County Courthouse
125 E 8th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97401

Dear Commissioners;

March 30, 2005

This letter is to introduce you to **Communities for Healthy Forests**, an organization started in 2004 by a non partisan group of community leaders, spurred to action by a field trip to the Apple Fire site on the Umpqua National Forest in Douglas County. The field trip was to show the community the preferred alternative in the draft EIS, which proposed treating 1400 acres of the 18,000 acres burned by the fire. To better understand how the forest recovers after a hot wildfire, the group continued up the North Umpqua River to a 1996, 16,000 acres fire. The fire site had not been cleaned up, or restored in any way, and the result was tens of thousands of dangerous dead black trees surrounded by brush. The group learned that by not managing and restoring the burned forests, there would likely be decades, if not centuries delay in returning the land into conifer forests.

The Communities for Healthy Forests, Inc., a non-profit organization, was formed in 2004 with the goal of telling the story to the public, who possibly has no idea what happens after the fire is put out.

Further, the group determined that changes in Federal Policies needed to be made to enable land management agencies to assess damages, design prescriptions for restoration and complete the restoration activity. A team of volunteers formulated strategy for achieving the goals and formed the non-profit corporation.

Much has been accomplished with these volunteers in the year 2004, including an educational video, a website, and a brochure. These educational materials have been part of the speaker's tour to key leaders in the State. The strategy includes recruitment of supporters across Oregon, the West and other parts of the United States. This support will result in showing policy makers that there is broad and far ranging support for timely management and restoration of burned forests, which will in turn help achieve the policy changes.

Communities for Healthy Forests, Inc is asking you today to sign the website in support of timely restoration of forests or pass the enclosed resolution. Further we are asking the Lane County Board of Commissioners for a Title III grant of \$40,000 from PL106-393 funds. Please see the Title III application enclosed.

**PL 106-393 Title III Project Submission Form For
Lane County**

“Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000”

Name of Project: Communities for Healthy Forests

Date Project Submission Form

Date Project Submitted: March 28, 2005

Project Sponsor: Communities for Healthy Forests

Sponsor’s Address: 1744 E. McAndrews, Medford, Oregon

Contact Person: Sue Kupillas

Phone: 541-245-0770 **Fax:** 541-245-0880 **E-Mail:** ASK@opusnet.com

Project Is Authorized Under The Following Category: (see Sec. 302(b), attached)

- Search, Rescue and Emergency Services
- Community Service Work Camps
- Easement Purchases
- xx Forest Related Education Opportunities
- Fire Prevention And County Planning
- Community Forestry

Project Location: __ Oregon and Western States

Other Identifiers: (geographic location, road name or number, stream name)

N/A

Project Description:

Since inception of Communities for Healthy Forests in January of 2004, the project has developed an education and outreach program developed a critically acclaimed video featuring internationally recognized ecologist, Dr. Patrick Moore and other supporting print materials which have all been unused to educate the public about the need to restore forests lost in catastrophic events such as fires. The fact that key public policy officials are asking for our materials and using them in their roles, gives testament to the critically important nature of our mission as well as to the quality of educational products we have developed. The video has been shown at congressional hearings, national conventions of several associations and countless other official groups, all through voluntary efforts. In our second year we will continue with educational efforts in our local community. More importantly we will be targeting other communities around Oregon and the West. As other groups and individuals hear our message, they will continue to expand our volunteer network and make their own educational presentations. With a growing list of supporters, we are already seeing positive results among the general population with their increased awareness and involvement in the dialogue surrounding post catastrophic restoration. The hiring of an Executive Director ensures our visibility and presence over the much broader region as we expand our focus during 2005.

We will start a newsletter to keep our followers informed about our progress and about restoration efforts on national forests. Much of our inventory of educational materials has been depleted requiring further investment. The expanded region of our influence will require extensive travel, shipping and mailing and communication expenditures. A broad media campaign will be developed in order to support personal appearances and presentations. Our existing web-site will be expanded to provide more information and permit feedback from the public.

***include work windows or other limitations / restrictions / public or private land**

Project Goals and Objectives:

1) Re-stock inventory of depleted materials, further development of other materials and web-site related to post catastrophic forest restoration education. 2) Expansion of existing Speakers Bureau 3) Retention and support of the Executive Director's activities to reach the broader region in her role of education. 4) Development and enactment of appropriate emergency response regulatory language, empowering Federal Agencies to take action 5) Implementation of those authorities by December 31, 2005

Is There An Opportunity To Tie To An Associated Title II Project? Explain:

No

Proposed Method Of Accomplishment:

Contract Volunteers Agency (FS/BLM) Employees

County

County Corrections (adult / juvenile) Non-Profit

Other _____

Current Status Of Project Preparation:

Communities for Healthy Forests is a 501 (C) 3 non-profit, incorporated in Oregon and governed by an Executive Committee and a board of directors. An Executive Director has been retained to complete the organization's objectives, with the help of the board. An impressive package of educational materials, including a web-site has been developed and widely distributed. The web-site is getting increasing attention. A newsletter is being developed, starting in April, 2005. An expanded education plan and funding development plan has been developed. There is a broad awareness of the project within Douglas County, in the State of Oregon and beyond our borders. Public officials in Washington D.C. also have viewed our educational products and have used them in Washington D. C.

Contact Person(s) For Project Specific Documentation:

Sue Kupillas

Telephone Number(s) For Contact(s) 541-245-0770

Does Project Meet The Purpose Of The Legislation? (see Sec. 302(b), attached)

Explanation: Yes. The project will continue to provide forest based educational opportunities for all interested members of the public. The goal has been that through the extended educational outreach program that we will reach over 3,000 locally, 25,000 to 50,000 in Oregon, and 150,000 throughout the West. In the first year, we have directly reached over 2,000 individuals locally and roughly 3,000 beyond our county borders. Averaging nearly 100 connections per day, it is difficult to determine how many we have reached through the web site. This will grow in a geometric progression as the newsletter also refers to the website.

How Does The Project Benefit The Community? The implementation of this educational project will lead to an expedited evaluation process and restorative actions following catastrophic events in forests. The result will be prompt restoration efforts, resulting in the expedited re-establishment of productive and healthy conifer forests, restored habitat for fish and wildlife species, protection of critical watersheds, renewed recreational opportunities and the ensured maintenance of a sustainable economic base for the long term health of our communities.

How Does The Project Improve Cooperative Relationships Among People That Use Federal Lands And Federal Management Agency? Through an increased understanding of forest recovery processes and values, the affected stakeholders will more effectively communicate with policy makers and Federal land managers in their quest for public participation and stronger, broader buy – in of restorative actions taking place in our forests.

Duration Of The Project: FY 2004-05 One Year

Anticipated Cost of Project (itemize):

- **Review And Consultation Costs:** Please see attached budget.
- **Engineering Costs:** _____
- **Contract Preparation And Administration Costs:** _____
- **Materials And Supplies:** _____
- **Monitoring:** _____
- **Other Costs:** _____
- **Indirect Costs (overhead):** _____

TOTAL COST ESTIMATE: \$491,000

Estimated Start Date Of Project: January 2004

Estimated Completion Date of Project: December 2005

Is This A Multi-Year Funding Request? Yes No (if yes, display by fiscal year)

FY02 Request: _____ **FY03 Request:** _____ **FY04 Request:** 40,000 _____

FY05 Request: _____ **FY06 Request:** _____

Identify Source(s) Of Other Funding For Project: Private business, Cow Creek Tribal government, other counties, Title III funds, National Unions, Chambers, Utilities, foundation grants, In-kind from media, and individuals supporting our education program.

Project Accomplishments / Expected Outcomes: Expand education materials, with newsletter, research, documentation of restoration efforts; Expand target audience across the West and US; Support Executive Director and temp. staff to complete mission; Positive response from regulators and managing agencies to achieve prompt post-catastrophic restoration.

How Is Project In The Public Interest? The quality of air, water and habitat of fish and wildlife populations depend on a fully functioning forest ecosystem on the landscape dominated by federal lands. The prompt restoration of that forested ecosystem is crucial to the sustainability of wildlife, fish and clean water as well as the economics within our communities. The healthy restored forests provide for social, economic, environmental and recreational values as well as spiritual renewal.

Will Project Create a Product Or Benefit To The Federal Resource? The long lasting benefit to the Federal Resource is more quickly (within our lifetimes) restored, healthier, more productive forest ecosystems, which increases revenue to maintain the resource. Prompt recovery and restoration following catastrophic events on Federal lands means more jobs. As the findings of the Dr. John Session's Biscuit Report 2004, points out, prompt recovery of catastrophically killed forest resources followed by the re-establishment of coniferous forests can 1) Generate positive revenues to the treasury, 2) Create jobs at the local level, supporting local economies, 3) Significantly reduce the future fuel loadings on the forest floor which can cause greater harm in future fires, 4) Develop habitat for endangered species within 80 years.

Monitoring And Reporting Plan To Measure Outcome (what measure or evaluation will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired objectives): All educational activities are documented, with monthly reports and newsletter, ensuring thorough contact with targeted audiences. Supporting resolutions, contacts and recruitment data are recorded and maintained. The ultimate measure will be when there is a quick response to catastrophic events.

Other Comments: n/a

Date: March 30, 2005

Submitted to Lane County by Sue Kupillas, Executive Director of Communities for Healthy Forests

Address 1744 E. McAndrews, Medford, Oregon 97504

ASK@opusnet.com

541-245-0770

Please submit check to
Communities for Healthy Forests
P O Box 400
Roseburg, Or 97470

2005 OPERATING BUDGET

Revenue Source and Amounts

Counties TIII	\$ 164,000
Douglas County TIII	\$ 175,000
Other Grants	\$ 100,000
In Kind contributions	\$ 35,000
Cow Creek Tribes	\$ 15,000
Board member contribution	\$ 2,000

TOTAL REVENUES

\$491,000

PROJECT EXPENDITURES

Communications

Video duplication	\$ 5,000
Web site	\$ 3,000
Newsletter –e-mail list	\$ 1,000
Printing and Supplies	\$ 11,000

TOTAL

\$ 20,000

Media Campaign

Television	\$ 100,000
Radio	\$ 15,000
Newspapers	\$ 28,000

TOTAL

\$ 143,000

Travel

National	\$ 75,000
State	\$ 10,000
Regional	\$ 75,000
Local	\$ 1,000

TOTAL

\$ 161,000

Contract Services

Executive Director	\$ 65,000
Other	\$ 30,000

TOTAL

\$ 95,000

Legal and Accounting	\$ 7,000
Meeting and Forums	\$ 15,000

TOTAL

\$ 22,000

Contingency

\$ 50,000

GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$491,000

We feel a sense of urgency to solve this problem. We can't help the devastation that occurred in 2002 that has had little restoration. The opportunity has passed and already several million acres In fact most believe with increased risk, more and more of our forests will be converted to brushfields, without some quick action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sue Kupillas". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "S".

Sue Kupillas, Executive Director
Communities for Healthy Forests

Land Management
PROPOSAL

\$107,891.01

DATE: April 20, 2005
TO: David Garnick, Senior Management Analyst
FROM: Jeff Towery, Land Management Division Manager
RE: Proposals qualifying for Title III funding.

Summary of the attached three proposals:

Project #1 Goal 17 – CRMP: Dredge Materials Plan \$ 33,354.00

Authority: CRMP: Dredge Materials Disposal Plan

Project Purpose: To amend Lane County’s Coastal Resource Management Plan Policies and Lane Code 16.242 Dredge Material Mitigation Site Combining Zone (/DMS –RCP) or implementation of Statewide Goal 17 Shorelands policies and Oregon Administrative Rules 660-017 and 660-037; to designate and protect dredge material and spoil sites, on rural lands adjacent to or within the Siuslaw National Forest, and US Bureau of Land Management lands along the Oregon Coast and the Siuslaw Watershed.

Project #2 Goal 17 – CRMP: Shorelands \$ 27,073.00

Authority: Periodic Review – Coastal Resource Management Plan

Project Purpose: To amend Lane County’s Rural Comprehensive Plan Policies and Lane County Coastal Resource Management Plan Policies and Lane Code 16.234, 16.235, 16.236, 16.237, 16.238, 16.239, 16.240, LC 16.241, and 16.242 for implementation of Statewide Goal 16 Estuaries Resources and Goal 17 Shorelands policies and Oregon Administrative Rules 660-017 and 660-037; to protect estuaries resources, shorelands, and dredge material and spoil sites, on rural lands adjacent to or within the Siuslaw National Forest, and US Bureau of Land Management lands along the Oregon Coast and the Siuslaw Watershed.

Project #3 Goal 5 – Mineral/Aggregate Rule \$ 36,006.00

Authority: Oregon Administrative Rule 660-016-0030

Project Purpose: To amend Lane County’s Rural Comprehensive Plan Policies (Goal Five), Lane Manual, and Lane Code Chapter 16 for implementation of Statewide Goal 5 Mineral and Aggregate Resources policies and Oregon Administrative Rules 660-016-0030 to designation and protect mineral and aggregate resources on rural areas adjacent to or within the Siuslaw National Forest, Willamette National Forest, and US Bureau of Land Management lands in Lane County.

Project #4 Farm and Forest Task Force for Region 2050, \$ 4,348.42
a collaborative long range planning project
conducted under ORS197.652-655.

Project Purpose: To identify land that is not part of the region’s commercial agricultural or forestland base for consideration by the Region 2050 Policy Board in development of a preferred growth scenario to apply to the region for coordinated long range planning purposes.

Project #5

Title III Funds to Pay for Enforcement Efforts
of Methamphetamine Contaminated Properties.

\$ 7,109.59

Project Purpose:

Land Management Division proposes to have Title III funds pay for the enforcement efforts of illegal drug manufacturing compliance cases for those properties that fall within the scope of this proposal. The scope of this proposal is limited to those contaminated properties that were 1) initiated after the amendment of the Nuisance Code (May 15, 2002) and 2) exist within one (1) mile of federal lands or are adjacent to any stream.

Total

\$ 107,891.01

State Agencies: Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Municipality: City of Florence

Special Service Districts: Port of Siuslaw
Siuslaw Soil & Water Conservation District
Siuslaw Watershed Council

Rural citizen involvement: Individuals, special interests, professionals, and neighborhood groups.

Measures of Success

How will the successful completion of this project or program be determined?

With the adoption of a revised Dredge Material Disposal Plan and overlays by the Board of County Commissioners in 2005 and use of newly identified upland disposal sites in 2006.

**Title III Qualifying Long Range Planning Work Tasks
Land Management Division/Dept. of Public Works**

Proposal 2

Project Title Amendments to Lane County Coastal Resource Management Plan and Lane Code Chapter 16 in compliance with the Lane County adopted Periodic Review Work Program Tasks 3.8.a.(i)-(v) of LCDC Approval Order No. 001415.

Project Purpose: To amend Lane County’s Rural Comprehensive Plan Policies and Lane County Coastal Resource Management Plan Policies and Lane Code 16.234, 16.235, 16.236, 16.237, 16.238, 16.239, 16.240, LC 16.241, and 16.242 for implementation of Statewide Goal 16 Estuaries Resources and Goal 17 Shorelands policies and Oregon Administrative Rules 660-017 and 660-037; to protect estuaries resources, shorelands, and dredge material and spoil sites, on rural lands adjacent to or within the Siuslaw National Forest, and US Bureau of Land Management lands along the Oregon Coast and the Siuslaw Watershed.

Project Budget

Personnel	
0.2 FTE Associate Planner (twelve months)	11,464.60
0.1 FTE Land Mgmt Technician (twelve months)	3,461.00
Subtotal	14,925.00
Materials and Services	12,148.95
Total	27,073.95

Background

The Coastal Resource Management Plan was adopted in 1980 four years prior to the adoption of the countywide Rural Comprehensive Plan in 1984. Compliance with Goal 16 Estuarine Resources and Goal 17 Shorelands was included with the 1998 Periodic Review Work Program requiring the following work tasks:

Land Conservation and Development Commission approved Revised Periodic Review Work Program Approval Order No. 001415 on July 3, 2002, which established tasks in the adopted Periodic Review Work Program for both the Lane County Rural Comprehensive Plan (RCP) and the Lane County Coastal Resources Management Plan (CRMP). The work tasks specific to the CRMP require compliance with the following:

Task 3.8. Update the Coastal Resource Management Plan:

- a. Complete necessary comprehensive plan inventories analysis of these inventories and a report that summaries the results of the inventory work:***

- (i) Goal 16 Estuarine***

Resources: Analysis of cumulative impacts of anticipated development for Siuslaw River Estuary pursuant to Goal 16 “Comprehensive Plan Requirements”, item 5, including an analysis of total area of development and conservation management units and total area of various habitat types, and the alterations and development activities allowed by the County’s implementing regulations;

- (ii) **Goal 17 Shorelands: Examine shorelands which fall within County-designated developed and committed areas to determine if they should be protected for water-dependent recreational, commercial and industrial use based on criteria stated in the Goal;**
- (iii) **Goal 17 Coastal Shorelands: Determine whether or not there are any existing, developed commercial or industrial waterfront areas suited for redevelopment but not designated as especially suited for water dependent uses;**
- (iv) **Goal 17 Coastal Shorelands: Examine existing County-designated Shoreland boundary to verify that all Siuslaw River dredged material and disposal sites are within the boundary;**
- (v) **Goal 17 Coastal Shorelands: Based on public access points that have been mapped and entered into the County's GIS system, in conjunction with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, identify areas where improvements to access or new access is needed;**
- b. **Based on the results of the inventories and findings prepared in task 8.a above, complete necessary amendments to the comprehensive plan and implementing measures, conduct information meetings and hearings, and adopt changes.**
- c. **Update Definitions in Lane Code to include new definitions added to the Coastal Goals in 1985.**

The sections of Lane Code Chapter 16 that are subject to the required inventories and amendments to the implementing regulations and definitions, are:

Lane Code 16.234 - Natural Estuary Zone (NE-RCP)

The purpose of the /NE Zone is to assure the protection of significant fish and wildlife habitats and the continued biological productivity of the estuary and to accommodate the uses which are consistent with these objectives.

Lane Code 16.235 – Conservation Estuary Zone (CE-RCP)

The purpose of the CE Zone is to provide for the long-term use of the estuary's renewable resources in ways which do not require major alteration of the estuary.

Lane Code 16.236 – Development Estuary Zone (DE-RCP)

The primary purpose of the DE Zone is to provide for navigational needs and public, commercial and industrial water dependent uses which require an estuarine location. Uses which are water related or non-water dependent, non-related which do not damage the overall integrity of estuarine resources and values should be considered; provided they do not conflict with the primary purpose of the zone.

Lane Code 16.237 – Significant Natural Shorelands Combining Zone (/SN-RCP)

The /SN Zone is applied to those coastal shorelands identified in inventory information and designated generally as possessing a combination of unique physical, social or biological characteristics requiring protection from intensive human disturbances. Those areas serve multiple purposes, among which are education, preservation of habitat diversity, water quality maintenance and provision of intangible aesthetic benefits. The /SN Zone is applied to prominent aesthetic features, such as coastal headlands and open sand expanses in proximity to coastal waters, sensitive municipal watersheds and significant freshwater marsh areas.

Lane Code 16.238 – Prime Wildlife Shorelands Combining Zone (/PW-RCP)

The /PW Zone is applied to those coastal shorelands identified in inventory information and designated generally as possessing areas of unique biological assemblages, habitats of rare or endangered species or a diversity of wildlife species.

Lane Code 16.239 – Natural Resources Conservation Combining Zone (/NRC-RCP)

The /NRC Zone is applied to those coastal area shorelands identified in inventory information as timber lands, agricultural lands or shorelands in dune areas.

Lane Code 16.240 – Residential Development Shorelands Combining Zone (/RD-RCP)

The /RD Zone is applied to coastal shoreland areas suited to residential development within urbanizable areas and to lands outside of urbanizable areas which have been committed to residential use by their development pattern, including actual development and the platting of subdivision lots.

Lane Code 16.241 – Shorelands Mixed Development Combining Zone (/MD-RCP)

The /MD Zone is applied to coastal shorelands that are all or partially committed to commercial and industrial uses. The proximity of these lands to the dredged channel of the Siuslaw River dictates that they be preserved for the expansion of existing water dependent and water related commercial or industrial uses; provided such uses cannot be accommodated within the urbanizable or urbanized area of the City of Florence.

Lane Code 16.242 – Dredge Material /Mitigation Site Combining Zone (/DMS-RCP)

The purpose of the /DMS-RCP Zone is to ensure that sites designated for use for dredged material disposal or mitigation are not developed in a manner which would preclude that use.

Partnerships

Federal Agencies	U. S. Forest Service (Siuslaw National Forest) U. S. Bureau of Land Management
State Agencies:	Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Municipality:	City of Florence
Special Service Districts:	Port of Siuslaw Siuslaw Soil & Water Conservation District Siuslaw Watershed Council
Rural citizen involvement:	Individuals, special interests, professionals, and neighborhood groups.

Work Program

July 2005	Review OAR 660-017, OAR 660-037, Statewide Goals 16 and 17 for amendments required to bring Lane Code (LC) Chapter 16 into compliance with Statewide Goals 16 and 17.
August 2005	Draft proposed amendments to LC 16.090 <u>Definitions</u> , and LC 16.234 through 16.240 zoning regulations.

- September 2005** Draft proposed amendments to Rural Comprehensive Plan Policies and Coastal Resources Management Plan Policies.
- October 2005** Coordinate with Port of Siuslaw, City of Florence and unincorporated community of Mapleton for regional approach to water-related and water dependent uses and zoning regulations.
- November 2005** Work session with Lane County Planning Commission.
Notice mailing to private and public property owners.
- December 2005** Citizen information meetings: Minimum of two in Florence.
- January - February 2006** Lane County Planning Commission public hearing(s) and deliberations.
- March 2006** LCPC report and recommendations to Board of County Commissioners.
- April – May 2006** Notice to DLCD and Lane County citizens.
First Reading, Second Reading and Public Hearing(s) – Board of County Commissioners.
- June 2006** Deliberations – Board of County Commissioners.
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Measures of Success

How will the successful completion of this project or program be determined?

Adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of the required inventory and analysis addressing Periodic Review Work Program Work Task 8 and submittal to DLCD for approval.

**Title III Qualifying Long Range Planning Work Tasks
Land Management Division/Dept. of Public Works**

Proposal

Project Title Statewide Goal 5 – OAR 660-016-0030 Mineral and Aggregate Resources regulations.

Project Purpose: To amend Lane County’s Rural Comprehensive Plan Policies (Goal Five), Lane Code Chapter 16, and Lane Manual 10.040-045 for implementation of Statewide Goal 5 Mineral and Aggregate Resources policies and Oregon Administrative Rules 660-016-0030 to designation and protect mineral and aggregate resources on rural areas adjacent to or within the Siuslaw National Forest, Willamette National Forest, and US Bureau of Land Management lands in Lane County.

Project Budget

Personnel	
0.4 FTE Planner (twelve months)	16,388.00
0.1 FTE Land Mgmt Technician (twelve months)	3,461.00
Subtotal	19,849.00
Materials and Services	16,157.00
Total	36,006.00

Background

Land Management Division has not revised the mineral and aggregate components of Lane Manual or Lane Code since 1984. Oregon Department of Land Conservation & Development adopted “The Goal 5 Rule” (OAR 660-23) several months after Lane County received approval from DLCD for our Periodic Review Work Program in 1996. As such, the amendments at the state level in OAR 660-023-0180 for the processing of aggregate post-acknowledgement plan amendments have not be codified in Lane Code. In addition, the review of operation plans under the Sand & Gravel Review Committee, circa 1970’s standards and criteria, is in need of revision to comply with Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) regulations.

Partnerships

- Federal Agencies U. S. Forest Service (Siuslaw National Forest)
 U. S. Bureau of Land Management
- State Agencies: Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD).
 Oregon Department of Aggregate & Mineral Industries (DOGAMI).
 Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Professions: Aggregate and quarry operators in Lane County.
- Citizen involvement: Individuals, special interests, professionals, and neighborhood groups.

Measures of Success

How will the successful completion of this project or program be determined?

Adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of ordinances to amend RCP Plan Policies (Goal Five), Lane Code 16.216, 16.217, and 16.218 and the "Significant Site Inventory", and Lane Manual 10.040-045.

**Title III Qualifying Long Range Planning Work Tasks
Land Management Division/Dept. of Public Works**

Proposal No. 4

Project Title Farm and Forest Task Force for Region 2050, a collaborative long range planning project conducted under ORS197.652-655.

Project Purpose: To identify land that is not part of the region's commercial agricultural or forestland base for consideration by the Region 2050 Policy Board in development of a preferred growth scenario to apply to the region for coordinated long range planning purposes.

The Farm and Forest Task Force will identify the relative impacts of three Alternative Regional Growth Scenarios on the regions commercial agricultural and forestland base, and identify the impacts of the Preferred Growth Scenario solutions recommended by the Regional Policy Advisory Board on the region's commercial agricultural and forestland base.

Project Budget

Personnel	
Planner (140 hrs)	2,341.00
Land Mgmt. Technician (30 hrs.)	507.42
Subtotal	2,848.42
Materials and Services	
printing, mailing, GIS mapping	1,500.00
Total	4,348.42

Background

Region 2050 is one of the collaborative regional problem solving process projects being conducted around the state under Oregon Revised Statutes 197.652-655. The regional problem solving project is directed by a Policy Board made up of elected officials of participating jurisdictions and representatives of participating utilities that have decision making power. Under ORS 197.656(6), if the participants in a collaborative regional problem-solving process have a desire to devote agricultural land or forestland to uses other than farming or timber production, and they can fully agree on outcomes and solutions for uses of those lands that are not currently authorized by statewide planning goals, the participants shall choose land that is not part of the region's commercial agricultural or forestland base, or take an exception to those goals pursuant to ORS 197.732.

The Regional Problem Solving Statute addresses resource lands as currently defined in the statewide planning goals. The objective of the Region 2050 project is to distribute future population growth throughout the region in a coordinated manner, given the desires of each of the communities in the region. The Policy Advisory Board could determine that growth management solution(s) may not be consistent with existing farm and forest administrative rules. There could be a desire to facilitate some of this future growth to rural lands in the region. If so, a committee of technical experts, appointed by the affected county, must have analyzed and considered the extent of the natural resources in the region and provided a summary report for consideration by the Policy Board. Because of the various professional and technical skills involved in farming and forest management, the Board of Commissioners desires broad

diversity on the Farm and Forest Task Force, and the range of expertise in resource land management and economics is reflected in the balance between agency and private sector representation of people that work as farmers, foresters, and resource land managers in these economic areas.

The resulting report from the Farm and Forest Task Force could identify the lands that are not commercial forest and farmlands of the region and analyze impacts to those lands under each of the three draft development scenarios; Compact Urban Growth, Satellite Communities Growth, and Rural Growth. The evaluation of resource lands is based on criteria developed from Regional Goals and Objectives unanimously approved by the Region 2050 Policy Advisory Board. The criteria for this analysis is included in the Region 2050 *Chapter V Environment* of the Alternative Regional Growth Scenarios Evaluation. *Chapter V Environment* evaluates the extent to which each scenario meets the Regional Goals and Objectives related to the natural environment, including impacts to commercial forestland and farm land.

Partnerships

State Agencies:	Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development Oregon Department of Forestry Oregon State University Extension
Municipalities:	Creswell, Coburg, Cottage Grove, Eugene, Junction City, Lowell, Springfield, Oakridge, Veneta, Westfir
Special Service Districts:	Springfield Utility Board Eugene Water and Electric Board School Districts throughout the region, urban and rural
Rural citizen involvement:	Individuals, League of Women Voters, special interests, professionals, and neighborhood groups.

Work Program

April-June 2005	convene the Farm and Forest Task Force to conduct a review of the three alternative growth scenarios against the lands that are identified by the task force as not part of the region's commercial agricultural or forestland base.
July-Oct. 2005	The Region 2050 Policy Board will conduct public outreach and develop a preferred growth scenario that will be adopted by all the region's jurisdictions for implementation through the years.
April 2006	The Farm and Forest Task Force will review and analyze the final preferred alternative and the impacts to the region's forest and farm lands in 2050.

Measures of Success

How will the successful completion of this project or program be determined?

The Region 2050 Policy Board and the Board of County Commissioners will have accepted the report and analysis of the Farm and Forest Task Force and if there are impacts to agricultural land and/or forest lands in the preferred regional growth scenario, these impacts have been fully considered, coordinated with, and are acceptable to the jurisdictions participating in the Region 2050 process.

**Title III Funds to Pay for Enforcement Efforts of
Methamphetamine Contaminated Properties**

Proposal # 5

Project Title: Title III Funds to Pay for Enforcement Efforts of Methamphetamine Contaminated Properties

Project Purpose: Land Management Division proposes to have Title III funds pay for the enforcement efforts of illegal drug manufacturing compliance cases for those properties that fall within the scope of this proposal. The scope of this proposal is limited to those contaminated properties that were 1) initiated after the amendment of the Nuisance Code (May 15, 2002) and 2) exist within one (1) mile of federal lands or are adjacent to any stream.

Land Management Division is requesting:

- 1) Title III funds in the amount of \$ 7,109.59 for the enforcement procedures of contaminated properties from May 15, 2002 to date.
- 2) An established Title III fund account to pay for future enforcement hours to be done by creating an "activity" and "project" code for tracking enforcement hours spent on Title III fund qualifying contaminated properties.

Project Budget:

Personnel	Hourly Rate	Wage	App. Overhead	Total
Compliance Technician	\$ 16.16	\$ 1,601.05	\$ 2,241.47	\$ 3,842.52
Compliance Officer	\$ 25.60	\$ 1,361.28	\$ 1,905.79	\$ 3,267.07
			Subtotal	\$ 7,109.59

Project Background

On May 15, 2002, the Lane County Board of Commissioners approved Ordinance 7-02 to amend the Nuisance Code (Lane Code Chapter 5) to include Properties Declared "Unfit for Use" due to Illegal Drug Manufacturing, making those properties subject to administrative enforcement procedures.

The state of Oregon Health Division's Clandestine Drug Lab Cleanup Program is the official body to issue required Certificates of Fitness for contaminated properties and provides the official list of certified contractors approved by the state to perform drug lab decontamination work.

Since 2002, the Land Management Division's compliance program has processed 44 enforcement cases involving contaminated properties including properties within the urban growth boundaries and outside of city limits.

To date, 35 of the 44 enforcement cases involving contaminated properties have received the required Certificates of Fitness. Lane County is the only county within the state of Oregon that currently conducts this type of enforcement effort. The clean up process for methamphetamine labs can range from minor cleaning to complete demolition of buildings. Some methamphetamine labs require soil and/or groundwater cleanup as well, depending on the extent of how and where chemical wastes were managed. Contaminated properties that are declared "Unfit for Use" due to Illegal Drug Manufacturing have many detrimental effects to the environment, the occupants of the land, and even neighboring properties

Enforcement Hours Methodology

Staff time differs according to the particular compliance phase of any contaminated property cleanup process. Phase 1 involves the least amount of enforcement due to the cooperation of the owner of record and the complexity of the compliance issues on the property. Each phase thereafter involves more staff time as well as the involvement of higher classified compliance positions.

Compliance Positions include:

- Compliance Technicians
- Compliance Officer
- Hearings Official

On average, the Land Management Staff spends 3 hours and 30 minutes to process each meth lab compliance case from start to finish. If and when the State awards a Certificate of Fitness (C.O.F.) the enforcement stops (unless fees are due). According to Table 1, the total number of enforcement cases that end at 'Phase 1' is thirty (30). Each phase thereafter has fewer compliance cases but lead to increased staff time. A majority (68.2%) of the cases end at enforcement phase 1. The total number of cases the Land Management Division has processed since May 15, 2002 is forty-four (44).

Table 1. Personnel Time (Hours) Spent per Enforcement Phase

	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5	Phase 6	Total Hours
	44 Total Cases						
# of Cases	30	8	3	1	1	1	
Total Hours	67.50	36.00	20.25	9.75	11.25	13.50	158.25
Compliance Technician	67.50	18.00	8.10	0.98	1.13	3.38	99.075
Compliance Officer	0.00	18.00	12.15	3.90	9.00	10.13	53.175
Hearings Official	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.88	1.13	0.00	6

Each compliance staff position works a different percentage at each phase of the enforcement process. The total number of hours spent enforcing meth lab clean up

since May 15, 2002 is 158 hours and 15 minutes. By figuring in the salary of each compliance staff as outlined in the Project Budget section of this proposal leads to a project subtotal of \$7,109.59.

Mt. Pisgah Arboretum
PROPOSAL

\$20,000



The Mount Pisgah ARBORETUM

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May 10, 2005

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David Garnick,

Mount Pisgah Arboretum, a private non-profit facility within Lane County Parks, is requesting a \$20,000 Title III, Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Grant for 2005-06. This is the second portion of a three-year funding request that was submitted February 1, 2004 (revised July 1, 2004.) This Title III funding provides necessary materials, low-income scholarships and administrative support for our 2005 Outdoor Adventure Summer Camp and our year-round Walks and Workshops Program.

In 2004, County support for our local, community-based programs assisted us in improving our educational events and making them more accessible to a larger portion of the community. We appreciate your consideration of this request for continued support in 2005-06.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this request or the Arboretum's programs.

Sincerely,

Fran Rosenthal
Education Manager

Mount Pisgah Arboretum

Proposal for Title III of the Secure Rural School and Self Determination Act of 2000)

Request for Continued Funding

The Title III Secure Rural Schools grant of \$20,000, received from the Lane County Board of Commissioners, provided vital support for the Arboretum's Education Program in 2004. This funding was the first portion of a 3-year grant proposal submitted in January 2004. The funding was allocated to the Arboretum's Summer *Outdoor Adventure Camp* for 7-11 year olds and our year-round *Walks and Workshops Program* for children, adults and families. This year, 2005, the Arboretum is requesting \$20,000 in continued support to assist in the maintenance and development of these community-focused programs.

Outdoor Adventures Summer Camp

The Arboretum's summer *Outdoor Adventure Camp*, now in its third year of operation, has been a huge success. The uniqueness of this camp lies in the special blend of nature studies and outdoor recreation provided to 7-11 year olds in our community.

The camp consists of four 1-week sessions, 9am-4pm, with extended morning and late afternoon care available. Each session focuses on a particular theme related to the natural history and diverse environments of the Mount Pisgah area. Campers explore the habitats and life cycles of forest inhabitants, learn about native peoples and early pioneers, discover the flora and fauna of the S. Willamette Valley, challenge themselves with important wilderness skills and use forest materials to design creative works of art. Recreation includes outdoor games, ball games and challenge courses.

The Need: This year, with the assistance of Title III funds, we hope to improve the camp in the following areas:

- 1) Expand each session's enrollment from 18 to 24 campers.
- 2) Provide up to \$2500 in scholarships for low-income campers, with the goal of accommodating up to 25% low-income campers.
- 3) Hire an additional counselor to accommodate increased enrollment.
- 4) Purchase additional equipment and supplies necessary for implementing the program.

Our goal is to continue to offer a unique camp that blends environmental education, recreation and traditional camp experiences— a camp program that is well-known, respected, and sought out by families in the community. Camperships increase community awareness and knowledge of the Howard Buford Recreation area, as well as support for Mount Pisgah Arboretum. In 2005, eleven camper families became new members of the Arboretum.

Year-round Walks and Workshops Program

Throughout the year, the Arboretum offers an extensive series of Walks and Workshops to adults, children and families in Lane County. These events are led by Arboretum staff, volunteers and consultants from the community. Our Walks and Workshops cover a wide range of topics within the areas of natural history, cultural history and nature arts and crafts. Events are offered on weekday afternoons, evenings, and weekends.

This program, like our summer camp, school program and festivals, exposes community members to the County Park and the Arboretum and increases awareness and support.

Although revenue from this program is approximately \$7,000 per year, the income generated does not come close to covering the costs of planning, publicizing or implementing the program. As the only Arboretum in this part of Oregon, we are committed to providing these types of programs, despite the financial hardship. Assistance from Lane County through the Title III Grant, goes a long way in helping us to offset some of the costs of maintaining this program.

Attached is the projected 2005 program budget for both our Outdoor Adventure Camp and Walks and Workshops Program. (The following figures do not include in-kind donations.)

The budget for the Arboretum's Environmental Education Program has always been modest and cost effective. Contributions of volunteer time and expertise, as well as materials, are significant. Without this kind of continued commitment from our supporters, the dollar cost of the program would nearly double.

Summer Camp Program Budget:

Projected Expenses for 2005

Staff (Includes benefits)

Camp Director (MPA's Education Manager)
8 weeks PT, 2 weeks FT. 330 hrs X \$18/hr

5,940.00

Camp Counselors (4 counselors)
120hrs/wk X 4 weeks, plus 80hrs prep X \$11.50/hr

6,440.00

MPA Site manager
40hrs X \$19/hr

760.00

Site Assistant
40hr X \$11.50/hr

460.00

Consultants

500.00

Publicity (Brochures, Flyers, Ads, Display Board)

1,500.00

Storage Facilities

300.00

Materials and Supplies (Camera, Student Binoculars Books,
Craft Materials, First Aid Supplies, T-Shirts, Food etc.)

2,000.00

Camper Scholarships

2,500.00

Administrative Overhead

1,200.00

Total Projected Expenses 21,600.00

Projected Income for 2005

Mount Pisgah Arboretum (Estimated Camper Fees)

11,000.00

Lane County Title III Funds

10,600.00

Total Projected Income 21,600.00

Walks and Workshops Program Budget:

Projected Expenses for 2005

Education Events Coordinator 31hrs/wk X 52 weeks X \$11.50	18,538.00
Consultant Fees	2,000.00
Brochures & Mailings	3,000.00
Materials and Supplies	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total Projected Expenses	24,538.00

Projected Income for 2005

Program Fees (net income)	7,000.00
Mount Pisgah Arboretum	8,138.00
<i>Lane County Title III Funds</i>	<u>9,400.00</u>
Total Projected Income	24,538.00

Total Lane County Title III grant for 2005 **\$20,000.00**

BUDGET SUMMARY

EXPENSES

Summer Camp 2005	21,600
Walks and Workshops 2005	<u>24,538</u>
Total Cost	\$46,138

INCOME

Program Fees & Generated MPA Memberships	18,000
Mount Pisgah Arboretum	8,138
Lane County Title III Grant	<u>20,000</u>
	\$46,138

Mount Pisgah Arboretum An Overview

Background

Mount Pisgah Arboretum is a 208 acre natural area, located within the Howard Buford Recreation area seven miles southeast of Eugene. Bordered on its west side by the Coast Fork of the Willamette River, this exceptional site features a diversity of ecosystems that highlight the flora and fauna of the Southern Willamette Valley. Habitats include riparian meadows, oak savanna, Douglas fir and Incense cedar forests, meandering streams and a turtle pond – truly a unique and ideal "outdoor laboratory" for learning.

Open 365 days a year, from dawn to dusk, the Arboretum maintains seven miles of groomed trails, a Visitor Center with educational displays, a covered shelter, a picnic area and recently built offices for administrative staff, educational staff and volunteers. Our master plan, completed in 1993, envisions the eventual construction of a permanent education facility with an expanded Visitor Center and classrooms. The Arboretum is free and open to the public.

Established and maintained by The Friends of Mount Pisgah Arboretum, a non-profit organization, the Arboretum is supported by membership dues, donations, grants, and income from special events, site rentals and educational programs. The Arboretum is used for both education and recreation by more than 200,000 annually.

Mission

Since its establishment in 1973, the Friends of Mount Pisgah Arboretum has developed the Arboretum site, infrastructure and educational programs in accordance with its mission statement, which reads, in part:

to establish, perpetuate and maintain an Arboretum of the highest quality and beauty for the public benefit'. . . . 'to promote conservation, research and awareness of ecology; to encourage and assist education on all levels in the natural sciences and arts; and to provide facilities for the public enjoyment and use of its gardens.

The Arboretum strives to serve a large, diverse population with broad-based interests. A system of all-weather trails provides a diversity of recreational opportunities. Lane Community College and the University of Oregon take advantage of the site for conservation and research projects. The Arboretum's annual Wildflower and Mushroom Festivals, presented in collaboration with the Native Plant Society of Oregon and the Cascade Mycological Society, appeal to students of natural history, as well as the general public.

Environmental Education Program

Established in 1982, The Arboretum's Environmental Education Program is now in its 24th year of operation. The program consists of a school field trip program, *Discovery Tours*, which annually serves 3000 K-6 grade students in Lane County; a summer camp, *Outdoor Adventures*, that offers recreation, nature studies and traditional camp activities; and a year-round Walks and Workshops program, offering natural history, cultural history and nature-related arts and crafts. The Arboretum also holds an annual Wildflower Festival in May and a Mushroom Festival in October.

Working closely with the University of Oregon and Lane Community College, the Arboretum provides internships for college students seeking experience in education, natural resources management and botany/biology studies. Classes from both institutions use the site for class field trips and experiential learning opportunities.

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO. 05-6-01-

) IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING
) PROJECTS UNDER TITLE III OF THE
) SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND
) COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION
) ACT OF 2000, P.L. 106-393 FOR FY 05-
06.

WHEREAS, the Lane County Board of Commissioners reviews and authorizes the appropriate expenditure of Title III funds under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, P.L. 106-393; and

WHEREAS, the County provided the required 45-day public comment notice and reviewed 16 proposed uses of Title III funds for FY 05-06; and


NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Lane County approve on-going and new Title III projects for FY 05-06 as described in attachment A.

ADOPTED, this ____ day of June, 2005

Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 5-14-05 lane county


OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING PROJECTS UNDER TITLE III OF THE SECURE
RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000, P.L.
106-393 FOR FY 05-06

Total Proposed FY 05-06 Title III Uses

Projected FY 04-05 Ending Carryover Fund Balance \$ 1,605,359.00 (Includes \$462,000 for employee benefit reserves as requested by BCC)
 Projected FY 05-06 Title III Revenue \$ 4,747,200.00
 Projected FY 05-06 Interest Earnings \$ 35,604.00



Proposed Ongoing Title III Uses

Search and Rescue	\$ 271,250	Fund the cost of providing SAR services on Federal lands including a portion of the SAR volunteer coordinator, volunteer training, operating expenses, helicopter operating expenses, materials and supplies and indirect expenses.
National Dunes Deputies	\$ 52,948	Fund the cost of Sheriff's Deputies who provide emergency services on the Dunes National Recreational Area in Lane County.
Forest Lands Emergency Services	\$ 1,076,533	Fund the cost of Sheriff's Deputies who provide emergency services on Federal lands including personnel, materials and supplies and indirect expenses. This would include the National Forests and BLM.
Forest Work Camp	\$ 2,939,767	Provide up to six inmate work crews to perform community service on Federal lands including but not limited to the removal of non-native plant species, repair and maintenance of existing infrastructure and the improvement of habitat. The funds will be used to pay for the salary and benefits of County employees, camp expenses and the indirect costs of these work crews.
Juvenile Forest Work Team	\$ 330,913	Provide one work crew starting January, 2002 to perform community service on Federal lands including but not limited to the removal of non-native plant species, repair and maintenance of existing infrastructure and the improvement of habitat. The funds will be used to pay for the salary and benefits of County employees and the indirect costs.



Proposed Continuing FY 05-06 Projects

Staffordshire, Prichard, Dilley, Giustina (4 properties, 16.86 acres)	\$ 10,000	Carryover FY04-05 request. Purchase four properties identified by the Parks Department as desirable for conservation easements.
Northwest Youth Corps	\$ 67,998	Education, employment and job training to Lane County youth involved in forest related activities including; trail construction and maintenance, timber stand improvement and noxious weed removal.
Mt. Pisgah Arboretum Education Program	\$ 20,000	Provides an Outdoor Science Education Program for K-6 grade students in Lane County at Mt. Pisgah Arboretum.

Recommended FY 05-06 Continuing Program Total \$ 97,998

TOTAL Recommended FY 05-06 Total Request \$ 1769,409

Proposed FY 05-06 Program Costs

Title II/III Countywide Coordination Indirect Cost	\$ 111,883	Provides federal Title II/III coordination to all County departments and federal agencies within Lane County.
Benefit Reserve Account	\$ 231,000	Establish an employee benefit reserve in the event that P.L. 106-393 is not renewed and the County needs to pay the unemployment benefits of Lane County employees.

Other recommended program costs \$ 227,526

FY 05-06 funding requests - NOT recommended

Red Cross	\$ 60,000	\$30,000 a year for 2 years. Fire Prevention and county planning. Help communities prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies.
Willamette Resources & Education Network	\$ 25,200	Camp Discovery. Developed volunteer naturalist and teacher training programs for K-12 with camps focusing on forestry, eco-art, aquatic animal life, fire ecology, wildlife of various habitats and watersheds and water quality. Includes travel to Finley National Wildlife Refuge.
Communities for Healthy Forests	\$ 40,000	Educates public on need to restore forests lost by catastrophic events such as fires.
LMD Planning	107,891	Qualifying planning tasks related to wild fire prevention and the mitigation of development effects on adjacent federal lands and other eligible long-range planning activities.
Lane Arts Council	45,000	Program that integrates science education and learning about the environment and natural resources with the arts.

Not Recommended For Funding 278,091