

PROJECT: Oxbow Park - Multnomah County Park Services
? Metro address

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BUDGET: Metro grant \$4,591
Approximate Volunteer Hours: 240
Total Project \$10,464

QUESTION: How can the growing demand for a naturalist that will teach hands-on environmental education be met?

GOAL: Fund a seasonal naturalist position that provides hands-on environmental education and interpretive programs.

COMMUNITY:

Oxbow Park serves a large area of people from all over the Greater Portland area. Oxbow Park is located along the Sandy River in Gresham, Oregon. The naturalist would serve some 2500 to 3500 school children and adults.

DESCRIPTION: Environmental education programs have the unique ability to use the natural laboratory of Oxbow Park for outdoor activities. Lesson topics include: ecosystems, watersheds, salmon cycles and spawning sites, and creates stewards of the community.

ACTION: "Helping to Produce a More Ecologically Literate Citizenry"

March 1993

- Schedule school groups

April 1993

- Outline calendar of public programs and classes with seasonal naturalist

May 1993

- Calendar goes to press
- Seasonal naturalist begins leading school field trips

May - November 1993

- Continue teaching school and community programs

PARTNERSHIPS:

Bureau of Land Management

Mt. Hood National Forest

The Nature Conservancy

RESULTS:

The program allowed for students unable to explore the outdoors ordinarily, an opportunity to participate in field observations and natural ecosystems.

BARRIERS: ???



Metro naturalist Elizabeth Moore teaches wildlife watching techniques

Metro naturalists wild about their work