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Oklahoma

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AMERICORPS
3rd QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name: USDA-Public Lands Environment Corps

State: Oklahoma

Site ID # 94ADFD047 (K09C, K09D, K09E)

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Your Position: Project Director

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(if available) leroy@okso.ok.nrcs.usda.gov

Date report completed July 7, 1995

Reporting Period: April 1 - June 30, 1995

Program Start-up date: September 12, 1994

MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>17</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>3</u>
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>16</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>13</u>
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>20</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>17</u>
(2nd)	
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>10,400</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>8,840</u>
(3rd)	
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>8,800</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>7,240</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>31,350</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>26,310</u>
	<u>5,040</u>



PART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

(NONE)

Number of Members authorized:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service to date: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____



VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers: 10
involved in AmeriCorps service activities in
this quarter

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities: 120
completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers
in this quarter.



SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

None

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

None

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter.

4

Total-to-date

4

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

0



MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 20 TOTAL EMPLOYED: 20

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 17
TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 3

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER	
Number of Males (15 originally minus 2 in 3rd Qtr)	<u>13</u>
Number of Females (5 originally minus 2 in 3rd Qtr)	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	<u>16</u>

Box 2 - RACE	
Number of Caucasians (16 originally minus 3 in 3rd Qtr)	<u>13</u>
Number of African Americans	<u>0</u>
Number of Native Americans (4 originally minus 1 in 3rd Qtr)	<u>3</u>
Number of Hispanics	<u>0</u>
Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander	<u>0</u>
Other	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	<u>16</u>

Box 3 - EDUCATION	
Number w/out High School Diploma or GED	<u>0</u>
Number with High School or GED (7 originally minus 4 in 3rd Qtr)	<u>3</u>
Number with some college	<u>10</u>
Number with college degree	<u>2</u>
Number with Graduate degree	<u>1</u>
Number w/Professional or Trade School	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	<u>16</u>

NOTE: Totals in boxes 1-3 should be the same number and should be the same as TOTAL EMPLOYED.

BOX 4 - OTHER	
Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS	<u>13</u>
Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps	<u>0</u>
Number of children	<u>0</u>
Number w/Disabilities	<u>1</u>



BUDGET INFORMATION

(3rd Qtr. Only)

(Totals for 3 Project Mgrs.)

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)
Project Manager completes this section

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	25%
Approximate dollar amount	\$6,500
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	--
Travel costs for Members & Managers	--
Training costs	--
Supplies	\$ 900
Uniform costs	--
Program Costs (Please explain what these costs were.) (Equipment and Equipment Repairs)	\$2,250

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies	\$ 100
Travel	--
Training	--
Program Costs	--
Other	\$ 300



PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS (One per State - Above site level costs only)
Do NOT include any costs already captured by the Project Manager.

(3rd Qtr. Only)

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps	
Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	90%
Approximate dollar amount	\$13,500
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	\$ 5,575 (2)
Travel costs for Members & Managers	\$ 1,200
Training costs	--
Supplies	\$ 500
Uniform costs	--
Program Costs	--
(Please explain what these costs were.)	

Non-Federal Funds Spent
(Explain)

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Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

- Objective 1. Restore 30 windbreaks and plant 5000 trees and/or shrubs.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

AmeriCorps Members Progress:

- Number of windbreaks completed - 44 (original goal was 30)
- Total miles of windbreaks completed - 19.5
- Number of counties assisted - 10
- Average time to complete a windbreak - 14 days
- Number of O&M windbreaks (clean-up) completed - 14
- Number of fully planned windbreaks completed - 30
- Soil loss reduction - 24 windbreaks with reduction, windbreaks have potential for soil loss reductions on 20 others.
- Over 64,500 trees have been planted by AmeriCorps members and partners.
Over 7,500 trees have been planted in renovated or restored windbreaks (original goal was 5,000 trees).
Over 57,000 trees have been planted on eroded and gullied areas, in outdoor classrooms and special community projects that met the AmeriCorps objectives and needs of the community.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

Objective 2. Increase public awareness - Survey support and encourage media coverage.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

- Assessment of partners and public participation will be made in July and August.
- Participation is evident with numerous requests for AmeriCorps assistance by landowners (approx. 300).
- Numerous programs have been given to groups and information handouts.
- Members assisted four communities with tree plantings for Oklahoma City Bombing Disaster.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

Objective 3. Increase public awareness - Develop informational materials.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

- Informational materials are being revised for year two projects, when approved.
- A few articles were printed locally on such activities as the 60th Celebration w/AmeriCorps in April. Few articles in 3rd quarter.
- Almost one-half of the 23 western counties have received requests for increased windbreak restoration because of AmeriCorps efforts and positive public awareness.
- Ten counties have actively participated in the AmeriCorps Project with actual windbreaks restored.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Member Development: Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

- Every AmeriCorps member has had the opportunity for self-development in media interviews, presentations to groups, leadership roles, service to others and/or leading in an area of a team responsibility. *
- Members have presented conservation education programs to schools, planted trees with children, and told them about being an AmeriCorps member.

2. Community Building: Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.

- Communities are receiving benefits from AmeriCorps members involvement.
- They have planted numerous trees along side and with communities, school children, landowners, landusers and others.
- Local purchases are made for equipment and supplies that support the community where they are located.

Other Accomplishments:

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

- AmeriCorps members assisted four communities and three schools with the planting of trees as a memorial to the Oklahoma City Bombing.
- AmeriCorps members along with four communities, conservation partners, RC&D and Oklahoma Forestry Service planted 57,200 trees on highly erodible lands that the communities were unable to get help with or trees planted. They were planted by hand and tree planting machines at four different locations. They were planted in order to establish windbreaks for preventing soil erosion, improving water quality, improving wildlife and to meet the AmeriCorps objectives for community service.



PRIMARY CHALLENGES

Report on problems resolved and unresolved, obstacles to achieving program objectives, significant sources of delay, program elements not meeting expectations, events or incidents that caused concern. Use the format below for explaining problems and solutions.

NATURE OF PROBLEM

Please state the problem clearly and concisely. Be candid.

- Maintaining enthusiasm and numbers of AmeriCorps members as term of service nears end and nice weather appears.
- Funds to maintain equipment and provide supplies.
- Setting up opportunities for members to train, interact and complete the project.

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED? YES

IF NO, WHAT STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM?

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE SOLUTION OR RESOURCES NEEDED TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM?

Specify what steps you, your Members, USDA, and/or the Corporation for National Service can take to rectify the problems or at least ensure they do not recur in the future

- Planning for next year, now, and developing schedules for training, interaction and team building regularly throughout the term of service.
- Funding for equipment and supplies may need to be coordinated with partners to aid in the success of the project.

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Oregon

Divider Title: _____

AmeriCorps: EnviroCorps, Portland (Oregon)
Accomplishments Overview - 3rd Quarter, 1995

AmeriCorps (EnviroCorps) in Portland moves forward with increased public awareness, as attested to by the donations and discounted services by local businesses and community organizations and by the media coverage it has received. With community awareness comes community involvement; EnviroCorps projects benefited from approximately 7800 volunteer hours from approximately 2820 community members. One outstanding result of this involvement was the completion of the member internship program. It was a valuable experience to all involved, allowing members to bring their experience in specific fields of interest to those who needed it and vice versa. Another result of these efforts was an environmental education curriculum designed for youths. This program will have future applications since it has been compiled into a written format. Other projects include recruitment of youths to work a summer program donated to the Whitaker Pond Restoration; the Combined Sewer Overflow Program, which required participation of citizens to succeed; assorted tours and activities to acquaint the public with environmental concerns, and the list goes on. As future project needs are identified, local volunteers and organizations will be there to meet those needs, thanks in part to the EnviroCorps members.

AmeriCorps: Grants Pass (Oregon)
Accomplishments Overview - 3rd Quarter, 1995

A key component to the design and success of the southwestern Oregon Rural Development program has been the focus on local community building. Members have placed a major emphasis on developing skills among local people, maximizing local participation and strengthening local organizations. The fruit of their efforts is evident in more than 3,953 hours this quarter, of over 216 rural community volunteers and an estimated \$20,000 of support this quarter for member activities (members' only reliance on NRCS is for stipend, benefits and limited professional development). All of the organizations served have increased their capacity to undertake community projects due to training of members, wider participation of stakeholders and increased partnerships with other organizations. Three organizations have developed offices in the last year as a result of their increased activity and new volunteer groups have formed to tackle those projects recently identified.



PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS (One per State - Above site level costs only)
Do NOT include any costs already captured by the Project Manager.

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps
Approximate dollar amount

10%
\$1610.00

Cost for any other Federal employee spending
time on AmeriCorps

\$3146.00

Travel costs for Members & Managers

\$150.00

Training costs

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Supplies

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Uniform costs

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Program Costs

(Please explain what these costs were.)

None

Non-Federal Funds Spent
(Explain)

None



EnviroCorps: Portland Urban Project, Oregon
3rd Quarterly Report, April-June 1995

3rd AMERICORPS
QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name:

EnviroCorps, Portland Urban Project

State:

Oregon

Site ID #

Your Name:

Steven Fedje

Your Position:

Resource Conservationist

Telephone number:

(503) 231-2270

Fax number:

(503) 231-2271

e-mail address
(if available)

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Date report completed

July 7, 1995

Reporting Period:

April 1, 1995 to June 30, 1995

Program Start-up date:

October 1995



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MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:	
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>8</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>2</u>
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:	<u>10</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>8</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>2</u>
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:	<u>10</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>8</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>2</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:	<u>5464</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>4405</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>1059</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:	<u>3949</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>3131</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>818</u>
	(additional 280 in training)
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:	<u>9438</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>7545</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>1893</u>



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PART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized:	<u>10</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>10</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>0</u>
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:	<u>10</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>10</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>0</u>
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:	<u>10</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>10</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>0</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:	<u>1500</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>1500</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>0</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:	<u>1419</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>1419</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>0</u>
	(additional 280 in training)
Total Hours of Direct Service to date:	<u>2894</u>
Environmental Corps Members:	<u>2894</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:	<u>0</u>

1419
3949
5368
280
5648

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VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers:
involved in AmeriCorps service activities in
this quarter

524

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities:
completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers
in this quarter.

3861



EnviroCorps: Portland Urban Project, Oregon
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SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

None

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

None

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter:

1

Total-to-date

4

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

0



EnviroCorps: Portland Urban Project, Oregon
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MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 20 TOTAL ^{enrolled} EMPLOYED: 20

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 18
TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 2

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER

Number of Males 11
Number of Females 9
TOTAL 20

Box 2 - RACE

Number of Caucasians 15
Number of African Americans 3
Number of Native Americans _____
Number of Hispanics _____
Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander 2
Other _____
TOTAL 20

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED 0
Number with High School or GED 1
Number with some college 7
Number with college degree 9
Number with Graduate degree 3
Number w/Professional or Trade School 0
TOTAL 20

NOTE: Totals in boxes 1-3 should be the same number and should be the same as TOTAL EMPLOYED.

BOX 4 - OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS 14
Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps 0
Number of children 0
Number w/Disabilities X

*1 member with limitations due to age
1 member with temporary disability due to serious
non-service injury.*



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BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)
Project Manager completes this section

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps
Approximate dollar amount

10%
\$1267.00

Cost for any other Federal employee spending
time on AmeriCorps

\$531.00

Travel costs for Members & Managers (*mileage + insurance*)

2435

Training costs

306

Supplies

340

Uniform costs

—

Program Costs

5353

(Please explain what these costs were.)

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies

—

Travel

—

Training (*estimated*)

400

Program Costs

11,500

Other (*office space + equipment*)

1200

AmeriCorps: EnviroCorps, Portland (Oregon) Urban Project
3rd Quarterly Report, April to June 1995

OBJECTIVES - Progress towards meeting community service objectives:

Project Area I: Whitaker Pond Restoration

Objective 1: Natural Resource Restoration - To restore and enhance the aquatic habitat, riparian zone, and neighboring uplands to former natural conditions. Participants will remove pest plants and solid waste, plant over 6 acres with native vegetation, and enhance two urban ponds totaling over 16 acres for warm water fishery establishment. Wildlife habitat will be 100% restored and water quality significantly improved in 16 acres of ponds and wetlands, and along 1 mile of the Columbia Slough.

- The final Whitaker Ponds Management Plan was approved by the Metro Council on June 1, 1995.
- EnviroCorps members have completed a detailed site plan focusing on restoration and recreational enhancement of the Kline property, a 5 acre parcel formerly used as a junkyard.
- Ongoing clean up activities have been occurring on the property throughout the quarter. Several acres were cleared of several decades accumulation of trash and debris.
- Several community organizations and business have contributed volunteer hours and provided discounted services to assist with restoration activities. Fifteen volunteers from Pacific Power and Light assisted with the clean up effort and the company donated 2 drop boxes to the cause. An additional drop box was donated by Metro Metals for metal recycling.
- We will continue restoration activities on this property throughout the summer.
- Maintained previously planted revegetation projects on adjacent properties within the management area through watering and manual removal of invasive species.

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Project Area I: Whitaker Pond Restoration

Objective 2: Enhanced Public Usage - The 2 ponds, totaling 16 acres and 1 mile of the adjacent Columbia Slough will be enhanced to provide habitat for warm water fishery development and outdoor laboratory for environmental education. Two barrier-free fishing docks, 2 miles of shoreline access, a flow control structure, and an interpretive kiosk will be built. Over 8 elementary, middle, and high schools will have direct access to a natural area for environmental education while providing 100% wildlife habitat restoration for 15 adjacent landowners.

Detailed site plans for the Kline property and adjacent Portland Public School property have been completed. Plans include opportunities for public recreation. Creation of recreational improvements on the school property will not occur before next year due to the current use of the property by the Little League.

Four ball fields currently exist on the property, one of which is recommended for relocation in the management plan. Due to public concerns expressed during the management planning process, no ball fields will be removed until an alternative location is found and a replacement ball field is created. This will prevent a net loss of existing recreational activities in the area. Restoration activities of this property will occur following mitigation of the ball field to be removed. Installation of the designs will occur in phases over the next several years. The first step involves the removal of the enormous amount of junk from the Kline property as described in objective one. Once this is completed, the site can be revegetated, trails and parking areas can be installed, and interpretive signs and access to fishing sites can be created.

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Project Area I: Whitaker Pond Restoration

Objective 3: Educational Placement - To advance the educational and career positions of 20 high school drop-outs or non-college enrolled youth between the ages of 17-24. Service recipients will be recruited from 4 area high school and 3 community centers to participate in the program. 75% of service recipients will be enrolled in an accredited program of higher education at completion of the program.

(This objective is identical to Objective 3 for Project Area 2.)

- Grant funding was secured to hire 16 youth for a 6 week summer program. This quarter, the details of the summer program were developed and recruitment efforts occurred to prepare to begin the program the first week in July. Active recruitment occurred at 4 area high schools and the community centers. Over 40 applications were received from interested youth. The selected youth are scheduled to begin on July 6, 1995.
- Members received training on Leadership and Mentoring to prepare them for their new responsibilities of working with the youth. Members will be paired with youth at a one-to-one ratio, and will work in teams composed of four members and four youth.

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Project Area II: Metro Watershed Protection

Objective 1: Natural resource and habitat restoration - Three riparian sites will be restored, working with local jurisdictions and citizen groups. Restoration will include channel modifications, removing pest plants and planting native vegetation along 3 miles of the Columbia Slough. 100% of the habitat in the sites will be restored and water quality will be improved throughout the 18-mile corridor of the Columbia Slough benefiting adjacent land owners and the general public.

Special events:

- Arbor Day, April 8th: Members worked with the Fairview Creek Watershed Conservation Group and community volunteers on a planting project at the headwaters of Fairview Creek. Over 550 plants were installed with mulching materials and beaver guards to protect them from damage from animals and invasive plant species. Over 20 community volunteers assisted with this project on a cold and drizzly day.
- Earth Day, April 22nd: - Three community based projects.
- Worked with over 100 community volunteers and the Friends of Trees at a 5 acre pond planting project along the Columbia Slough. Members provided leadership and training to local volunteers.
- Assisted Metro with a community clean-up project at Smith and Bybee Lakes involving over 90 local volunteers.
- Worked with the Wetlands Conservancy at Pascuzzi Pond in Tualatin involving an educational tour of the pond, planting sedge and bulrush, improving the boardwalk and observation blinds, installing snags and logs for wildlife habitat, protecting plants with beaver guards, and manually removing invasive pest plants.
- National Day of service, April 22nd: EnviroCorps was involved in a project at the Old McDonald's Farm, a non-profit educational farm for Portland's "at-risk" youth, which is scheduled to open this fall. Projects included constructing raised gardens, building the foundations for sheds, and improving animal pens.
- Smith and Bybee Day, April 29th: This was an event sponsored by the Portland Parks Bureau for the community to experience and learn about Smith and Bybee Lakes. EnviroCorps staffed stations set up to provide hands on activities and educational opportunities for participants:
 - *Make-A-Track* - Participants made tracks of local wildlife species.
 - *Native Plant Revegetation* - Volunteers learned about local plants and planted native plant cuttings to help restore a disturbed area.
 - *Native American Display* - People could touch and learn about Native American artifacts once used by people in the area.
 - *Button Making station* - Participants made buttons as a keepsake for the event.

Projects:

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- Naturescaping: Two private properties were "naturescaped", meaning landscaped to mimic the natural environment using mainly native vegetation. This type of landscaping is valuable to native wildlife and plants are adapted to the local environment, thus requiring minimal watering or chemical applications to ensure their survival. The properties were landscaped in both the front and back yards, and will be used as demonstration sites for ongoing community workshops in northeast Portland.
- Blue Lake: Members continued to work with 150 local 5th and 7th graders on a slough restoration project at Blue Lake this quarter. Members taught students how to develop a revegetation plan, assisted with plant identification and mapping, and worked with students to remove exotic vegetation.
- Fairview headwaters: Members worked with 15 Sunbeam girls, who are Salvation Army Girl Scouts, on a planting project at the headwaters. Vegetation was planted and mulching squares and beaver guards were installed to protect the plants.
- Smith and Bybee Lakes Transects: Set up 3 permanent transects to record existing plant species and monitor changes in vegetative communities.
- Nature Conservancy: Received education about unique plant communities on two local preserves from Nature Conservancy ecologists in exchange for labor to reduce the threat of invasive exotic species to fragile native plant communities. Project mainly involved manually removing the aggressive non-native Scot's broom. Preserves were Little Rock, which is an island in the Willamette River, and Camassia. The City of Lake Oswego agreed to boat the members to and from the island.
- The Halton Company: Members developed a landscape design for the Halton Company along 850 feet of Columbia Slough shoreline. The project involves reestablishing a healthy riparian zone by removing invasive species and planting with natives, creating a trail for Halton employees, and building biofiltration swales to improve water quality of runoff entering the slough. Project will be installed by members during the fourth quarter.
- Combined Sewer Overflow, Downspout Disconnection Program: Members received extensive training on the program followed by surveying the downspouts of over 1,000 homes and discussing the project with homeowners to solicit their involvement. Members have started to disconnect downspouts, resulting in the removal of roof runoff from the sewer system which overflows into the Columbia Slough nearly every time it rains. With the overflow goes untreated sewage, severely impacting the water quality of the slough, Willamette river, and Columbia river.

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Project Area II: Metro Watershed Protection

Objective 2: Trail Access and Interpretive Exhibits - Public trail access of three riparian sites will be developed by connecting the sites to existing and soon to be developed public trails. Interpretive signs and exhibits will be developed along the trails to inform users of the area of the important attributes of the area and proper human usage practices.

- *Tualatin Hills Nature Park*: Members worked to renovate the trail system in a 185 acre park. The project involved closing the network of unauthorized trails and establishing five main trails for public use. Duties included manual decompaction of soil, removal of invasive nonnative vegetation, and transplanting native vegetation from newly established trail areas to trails being restored.

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Project Area II: Metro Watershed Protection

Objective 3: Retaining Students in School - To provide educational and work experience support for 48 at risk high school students between the ages of 14-17. Teachers and counselors from area high schools will refer students who have academic potential but are at-risk of not completing high school. 90% of students participating in the program will remain in school and/or complete high school degrees at the completion of the program.

(This objective is identical to Objective 3 for Project Area 1.)

- As mentioned previously, grant funding was secured to hire 16 youth for a 6 week summer program. The summer program was developed and recruitment efforts occurred throughout the third quarter to prepare for the summer program to begin the first week in July. Active recruitment occurred at the 4 area high schools and community centers, and we received over 40 applications from interested youth. Youth are scheduled to begin on July 6, 1995.
- Members received training on Leadership and Mentoring to prepare them for the task of mentoring the youth at a one-to-one ratio, with support from other team members and program staff.

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PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1. Member Development: Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

- Combined Sewer Overflow, Downspout Disconnection Program: This is one of our main summer projects. Training included skill-building in canvassing, responding to public inquiries, data collection, and in disconnecting downspouts. The project involves canvassing door to door and educating the public about the problem, collecting data at each home, and persuading homeowners to become part of the solution by disconnecting any downspouts that are connected to the sewer system. Members will train homeowners to disconnect roof drains, and will do disconnections for homeowners who request assistance. Naturescaping: Members have continued to receive technical environmentally oriented training through a naturescaping workshop and education provided by Nature Conservancy ecologists on unique vegetative communities found on preserves near the Portland urban environment.
- Youth program: Leadership and mentoring training was provided at the end of June to prepare members for working with youth throughout the six week summer program. This training is likely to have numerous practical applications beyond the member's EnviroCorps experience.

2. Community Building: Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.

- By the end of June, EnviroCorps has worked with approximately 2820 community members for approximately 7800 total volunteer hours on the numerous projects mentioned previously.
- The Combined Sewer Overflow Program requires the participation from citizens in order to be successful. So far, public reaction has been positive overall and homes will be disconnected throughout the summer and fall.

3. Other Accomplishments:

- Community internships: Community service internships with community organizations were completed in June, at which time members provided feedback to help us to evaluate this piece of the EnviroCorps program. In general, members felt like the internships were a valuable part of their community service activities. The internships greatly added to their own personal development by providing experience with a particular agency or organization in a related field of interest. Each member gave an oral presentation and will submit a written evaluation as a permanent record of their experience.
- Summer Youth Program: Members developed an environmental education curriculum including tours and activities for the youths. The curriculum has been compiled in a written format for the youth to keep, as well as for use in future youth programs.

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- **Donations:** A locally owned and operated outdoor store donated over \$2,000 worth of outdoor wear for use by members, youth, and volunteers. Donation items included gloves, boots, and raingear, all of which are extremely handy for equipping unprepared volunteers as well as allowing us a surplus for our own members. Other donations this quarter included 4 discounted cameras for photo documentation of projects, and compost donated for the Alberta Park project.

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

Special recognition:

- During a watershed tour involving local, state, and federal agency heads from all over Oregon, the Fairview Creek Watershed Conservation Group, a citizen based watershed management council, acknowledged every EnviroCorps member with an award that stated: *"A note of appreciation for your endless enthusiasm, countless days of tireless labor, for your ideas, effort, and inspiration. Thank you."*
- President Clinton and Vice President Gore visited Portland on June 27th and addressed 500 AmeriCorps members, staff, and community members. Vice President Gore mentioned EnviroCorps specifically as a group that is getting things done here in Portland.

Building community partnerships:

New partners this quarter:

Fujitsu
 Alameda Elementary School
 Mt. Tabor Middle School

Vernon Elementary School
 Sunbeam Girl Scouts
 Office of Neighborhood Associations

Continuing partners:

Bureau of Environmental Services
 Centennial High School
 City of Gresham
 Community Resources Conservation Center
 Fairview Creek Watershed Group
 Friends of Johnson Creek
 Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes
 Friends of Trees
 George Middle School
 Grant High School
 Green City Data Project
 Halton Tractor Company
 Jefferson High School
 Kenton Neighborhood Association
 La Salle High School
 Multnomah County Drainage District

Nature Conservancy
 Old McDonald Farm
 Oregon Natural Resources Council
 Portland Audubon Society
 Portland Parks and Recreation
 Private Industry Council
 Roosevelt High School
 Simpson Timber
 Solv
 Tualatin Hills Parks District
 Urban Forest Project
 Urban League
 Wetlands Conservancy
 Wilson High School
 World Forestry Center

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PRIMARY CHALLENGES

Stipend Issue:

Nature of problem:

As reported previously, both staff and members continue to ask that the living allowance be administered as a monthly stipend rather than as an hourly wage. The hourly wage approach is not only time consuming for staff to administer, but creates financial hardship for members because hours vary from month to month. We question the legality of the hourly approach, and also feel that it violates the intent and spirit of the AmeriCorps program.

Has the Problem been resolved?

No.

Solution or Resources Needed:

This problem can only be resolved at the national level of Natural Resources Conservation Service, as the state office is not currently set up to administer living allowance as a stipend. We urge the national office to resolve this issue before next year's program begins, at the very least.

Summer Program:

Nature of problem:

The addition of 16 youth will add challenges and rewards to our program in the fourth quarter. In addition, part time members became full time in mid-June, requiring some operating adjustments. With a total of 36 people working full time throughout the summer in 4 separate teams, schedules and logistics will become more intensive.

Has the Problem been resolved?

Yes. Preparing to get to the point of hiring the youth has been intensive, but all of the details have been coming together through the hard work of members and management staff. We are prepared to work out any new glitches as they arise.

Solution or resources needed:

We anticipated these changes and were prepared to meet them as a normal part of operations.

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TRAINING ASSESSMENT: Primary training and technical assistance needs.

- Orientation training at the beginning of each year would be beneficial for team leaders and staff. The orientation could cover things like AmeriCorps organization, key contacts, member benefits, and additional training scheduled during the year. Specific training on topics like planning, communication, leadership, diversity, time management, and supervision issues would also be helpful for all new team leaders. Due to costs of travelling, teleconference training sessions would be the most practical. Because programs start at different times, several orientations would be needed at different times to benefit all programs.

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MEDIA ASSESSMENT:

1. National Identity Activities this Quarter

- AmeriCorps T-shirts and hats are worn by all members when interacting with or visible by the public, which is the majority of the time. Members also have overalls with the AmeriCorps logo sewn onto them, also worn as part of the uniform.

2. Media Coverage

EnviroCorps continues to receive positive coverage by the local media. We are sending these articles as part of this quarterly report:

- April 6, 1995, *The Oregonian*. "Planting of trees, shrubs slated on Fairview Creek upper reaches."
- May 26, 1995, *The Oregonian*. "EnviroCorps crew, Vernon students set project."
- June 7, 1995, *The Skanner*. "Working from the Ground Up."
- June 7, 1995, *The Oregonian*. "From Mud to Magnificent."
- June 15, 1995, *The Oregonian*. "Weeding in the Wild."
- June 28, 1995, *The Summer Vanguard*, Portland State University. "A Day with the President."
- June, 1995, *The Farm Report*, Old McDonald's Farm, Inc. "Get Our Your Hard Hats."

3. Other Creative Documentation:

- Video documentation: Two members continue to work on the video documentation project of the EnviroCorps program and other local AmeriCorps programs. In addition, a video will be made of the Summer Youth Program.
- Photo documentation: Each team has been issued a camera to provide photo documentation of projects from start to finish. Photos are being maintained in albums and a slide library.
- Member journals: Members continue to keep journals of their experiences.

N E W S L E T T E R

The Farm Report

Old McDonald's Farm, Inc.

1001 S.E. Evans Road, Corbett, Oregon, 97019 503-695-3316

Vol. I No. 2
June 1995

Our Mission: OMF is committed to allowing "at risk" children in our community an opportunity to experience animal and agricultural husbandry in a hands-on farm setting to facilitate healthy social and emotional development. Specifically, children will learn to feed, groom, ride, plant, grow, - in essence, to farm.

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GET OUT YOUR HARD HATS...

...you will need them with all the construction and site improvements going on around the farm.

April 25:

Under the direction of Jim Murphy, instructor for the Oregon-Washington Carpenters-Employers Apprenticeship and Training Trust (Center), 39 total volunteers which included 3 Americorp service groups, built foundations for the goat/llama barn, sheep & pig sheds, goose/chicken house plus worked on the garden.

Volunteers:

Northwest Service Academy (NWSA) Springdale: Melissa Busby, Mark Anderson, Susan Christensen, Cynthia Smith, Michele Miranda, Kathy Jubitz, Luz d Lordes Solar Valverde and Rebecca Johnson.

NWSA Troutlake: Gardener Johnson, Steve DePriest, James Salisbury, Terry Thomas, Erik Dedijer-Small, Christina Wellman, Sharon Wright, Kathryn Kilroy, Silas Richardson, Frank Cisneros, Dayn Anderson, Tanya Harrison and Peter Wendler.

Envirocorp: Josh Feigin, Terri Tufts, Chang Cha, Joshua Burke, Richard Melo, Will Levin, Alexandria Le, Cassandra Rutherford, Kathryn Heriza, Boran Elliott and Michael Burch.

Other Volunteers:

Perry Westbrook, Cameron and Leslie Derrick, and Wayne and Stephanie Rickert.

April 28:

Jim Murphy, Perry Westbrook, and Wayne and Stephanie Rickert, with nearly \$700 worth of concrete donated by Aphis Readymix and Concrete Pumping, poured and prepared concrete in the four foundation forms.
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May 3:

Jim Murphy with his class: Miya Drew, Jeff Maxfield, Herb Olive, and John Brinda built the goose/chicken house at the Oregon/Washington Carpenter Training Center and erected it on site.

May 10:

Four staff members and 25 kids from the Oregon Episcopal School along with 5 other volunteers took the wood forms off the concrete foundations, and further prepared the site for the big Marine Corps weekend. They also fixed fences, cleaned up the pasture, worked in the garden, etc.

Volunteers:

Oregon Episcopal School Staff: Christina Meyerhoff, Matt Sipple, Diane Meade, and Tonya Hovat. Students: Kelly Rossi, Heather Graziano, Shizuka Takanshi, Heather Gregory, Jon Boro, Eric Wittmayer, Conor Huseby, Michael Chapentier, Gabe Levin, Thon Lisahupanya, Willie Teng, Ian Peterson-Nedry, Amy Greene, Kavita Heyn, Derek Smith, Christine Hildebrand, John Waskey, Jeff Gundle, Jordon Ziegler, Ben Chessar, Eliot Peterson, Kira Person, Darren Olsen, David VanBalleghooijen, Meaghan Corwin, Jeremy Snyder, Rose Whitmore, Naomi Pease and Becky Russell.

Other Volunteers:

Ellen Kaye-Fontes, Perry Westbrook, Tom Vetter, and Wayne and Stephanie Rickert.

May 19 - 21:

The Marine Corps Reserves from the 6th Engineer Support Battalion built the goat/llama barn, sheep and pig sheds as a volunteer project. On May 19, 23 personnel set up camp and by the time they left Sunday afternoon, we had walls up and roofs on three buildings.

Volunteers:

Marine Corps: GySgt's Jay R. Wollam and

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**AMERICORPS
3rd QUARTER REPORT**

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site Name:	Southwest Oregon RC&D
State:	Oregon
Site ID #:	94ADFDC010
Your Name:	Amy Wilson
Your Position:	RC&D Coordinator
Telephone Number:	503-476-5906
Fax Number:	503-955-9574
E-mail Address (if available):	N/A
Date Report Completed:	July 6, 1995
Reporting Period:	April 1, 1995 - June 30, 1995
Program Start-Up Date:	9/26/94

MEMBER INFORMATION**FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION**

Number of Members authorized for your site:	5
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	5
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:	5
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	5
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:	5
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	5
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous quarter:	3,693
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	3,693
Total Hours of Direct Service for this quarter:	2,599
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	2,599
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:	8,203
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	8,203

PART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION	N/A
Number of Members authorized for your site:	0
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	0
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:	0
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	0
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:	0
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	0
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous quarter:	0
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	0
Total Hours of Direct Service for this quarter:	0
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	0
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:	0
Environmental Corps Members:	0
Rural Development Corps Members:	0

VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT**Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers**

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers: involved in AmeriCorps service activities in this quarter.	216
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Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities: completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers in this quarter.	3,953
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SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:	NONE
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2. Program structural changes made this quarter:	NONE
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Number of Members who have left National Service this quarter.	0
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Total-to-date	0
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Number of Members who have gained employment through their AmeriCorps Service.	0 *
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* None confirmed at this stage.

MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of the end of 3rd Quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 5 **TOTAL EMPLOYED: 5**

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 0
TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 5

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER

Number of Males	3
Number of Females	2
TOTAL	5

Box 2 - RACE

Number of Caucasians	4
Number of African Americans	0
Number of Native Americans	1
Number of Hispanics	0
Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders	0
Other	0
TOTAL	5

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number without high school diploma or GED	0
Number with high school or GED	5
Number with some college	2
Number with college degree	1
Number with graduate degree	2
Number with professional or trade school	0
TOTAL	5

Box 4 - OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS	4
Number receiving child Care through AmeriCorps	0
Number of children	0
Number with disabilities	0

BUDGET INFORMATION**Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)***Project Manager completes this section*

Percent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	24%
Approximate dollar amount	\$8,766
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps--1 employee at 20% of time	\$4,174
Travel costs for Members & Managers	\$1,404
Training costs	\$438
Supplies	0
Uniform costs	0
Program costs (Please explain what these costs were.)	None

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies (office space, phone, computer)	\$2,190
Travel (local mileage)	\$384
Training	\$620
Program Costs (supervision)	\$19,250
Other	0

OBJECTIVES SECTION**Introduction**

A major barrier to progress in rural Oregon communities is the technical assistance necessary to identify projects, research funding and apply for grants and assistance according to studies by the University of Oregon Planning Department and the Oregon Rural Development Council. This project is designed to provide critical assistance at a community level to help rural communities and organizations realize their objectives and develop skills in rural development. Without this assistance, many small communities would fall farther and farther behind by missing opportunities and failing to develop local capacities.

1. Community Service Objective No. 1: In each community (watershed council) projects will be developed that respond to locally identified needs, priorities and resources through meetings, interviews and collaboration with community leaders, residents, agencies and organizations.

Progress toward meeting this community service objective:

Brad has worked with the Coquille Watershed Association and residents of Coquille to identify and develop two major projects involving citizens in conservation work. A 15-acre wetland site is planned and other sites are being considered as funding is identified. Volunteer groups have also identified stream clean-up and wetlands development within the City of Coquille as their next project.

Pat helped the North County Economic Development group identify priority needs through a strategic planning process. Pat's efforts were recognized as the major factor contributing to an overwhelmingly improved level of public participation. Preliminary steps have already been taken on three of the issues identified.

Melinda has helped two towns complete downtown assessment surveys to improve local economic potential, and she organized a marketing seminar for small businesses in the surrounding rural area.

Dave J. has worked with numerous organizations to develop six conservation-related projects: Bear Creek tree planting, stormwater ordinance development, environmental kiosk, macroinvertebrate study, teacher training in outdoor education, and volunteer fisheries study. All projects have been developed with substantial local input and volunteer participation.

Dave M. has worked with county-wide groups and two local landowner groups to evaluate conditions and identify conservation projects. All projects were developed during the first two quarters.

2. Community Service Objective No. 2: For each project requiring funding, potential sources will be identified and grants will be written and submitted for consideration by donors; projects not requiring funding should have action plans developed, and commitment of resources should be secured. [Note: Funding cycles and variable deadlines make securing of funding an unreasonable standard to measure against in a one-year period.]

Progress toward meeting this community service objective:

Brad worked with volunteer groups to write a grant for stream enhancement and tree planting, requesting \$10,000 from U.S. Fish and Wildlife. He is also helping the Coquille Watershed Association develop grants and plans for stream enhancement projects to take place during the next granting cycle. One wetland restoration plan is near completion.

Pat worked with five rural towns to develop the planning basis required for all their community improvement projects. One grant was developed and submitted for funding of an outdoor education program to serve rural youth. Based on community-identified priorities, plans are developing to improve tourism and telecommunication services.

Working with South Umpqua Valley Economic Development, **Melinda** has developed a project for a community center which will be submitted to the Northwest Economic Adjustment Initiative for funding.

Dave J. has been implementing plans for a volunteer fishing survey and summer training for teachers with local volunteer groups and some state agencies. He has written grants for six projects listed under Objective No. 1.

Dave M. worked with local and state agencies and landowners to develop four projects during the first and second quarters. These projects were submitted and funded; they are now beginning implementation. The Hire the Fisherman project has hired 15 fishers at family wages, and provided training to work on stream enhancement activities throughout the county. Over 60 miles of bank will be planted, 15 miles of fence constructed and culverts will be surveyed throughout the county.

PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS**1. Member Development:****Progress toward meeting this member development objective:**

Brad has gained familiarity with local government and agencies, and he feels a great sense of accomplishment in the cooperation he has experienced and the knowledge gained. He has received technical training and work experience in several stream survey methodologies, map reading, photo interpretation, fish distribution survey techniques, fish and wildlife identification, and project development and management.

Pat has received formal training in developing volunteer programs. Informally, she has furthered her understanding of rural development, and she continues to develop contacts throughout the state, benefiting her own development and that of the community.

Melinda achieved certification in a professional 40-hour short course in economic development. She has now networked with professionals throughout this and neighboring states. She attended a two-day conference for grant makers and grant seekers.

Dave J. has benefited from excellent on-the-job training and one-on-one training. He has extensive contact with several exceptional mentors. He completed an advanced business writing course.

Dave M. has expanded his professional expertise through both formal and on-the-job training. He has organized meeting and tours, practiced public speaking, written grants, taken training in grant administration, conducted outreach, written project press releases and helped outfit the Soil and Water Conservation District for increased administrative capacity.

2. Community Building:**Progress toward meeting this capacity building objective:**

With **Brad's** assistance, the Coquille Watershed Association has developed an independent volunteer center and office from which it coordinates watershed activities. This organization has also developed bylaws and documentation in order to become an independent non-profit organization, whereas it has previously been dependent on other entities. Coquille Watershed Association has also developed and strengthened partnerships with federal (US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management), state (Department of Forestry, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Fish & Wildlife), private (three timber companies) and non-profit organizations (S.T.E.P.).

Pat's enthusiasm and insight have resulted in the development of a new community volunteer group to develop historical and tourism-related projects. This previously uninvolved sector of the community has recently formed and already begun to seek training in order to undertake activities. What began as an AmeriCorps Member development

activity is ending as a mini-van load of rural citizens traveling to a rural tourism workshop.

South Umpqua Valley Economic Development has demonstrated increased capacity through the development of strong partnerships with the local organizations. Local Chambers of Commerce have joined efforts on numerous projects. As a symbol of their increased strength, the board developed and implemented a fund-raising campaign for future economic development projects.

The Bear Creek schools outdoor education group continues to develop as a result of Dave J.'s efforts. The group now has formal documents, including a mission statement, goals and a 'boiler-plate' grant proposal. Membership is expanding. Dave J. reported progress in the development of a public information and education group on the Bear Creek Watershed Council. They have outlined some project ideas and taken training on water quality testing. They distributed a brochure on streams to all the area middle and high schools through the county educational services district.

Proof of Dave M.'s excellent communication and leadership ability is the advance shown by the groups with which he has worked. The Curry Soil and Water Conservation District has evolved from a group struggling to maintain, to a major player in county-wide watershed projects.

3. Other Accomplishments:

- * 1,500 trees planted by Dave M.
- * 7,500 trees delivered by planting to volunteer groups
- * Organized an outdoor three-day retreat with other AmeriCorps group members, program partners and mentors.
- * Two businesses applied for and received low-interest loans to improve or expand their local businesses as a result of skills gained at a seminar organized by an AmeriCorps member.

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

A total of \$432,925 in grants have been awarded in Curry County as a direct result of AmeriCorps efforts.

- 15 out-of-work fishers hired and trained in restoration work.
- Curry Soil & Water Conservation District completely outfitted with office equipment.
- \$22,000 landowner in-kind donation pledged to projects.

PRIMARY CHALLENGES

NATURE OF PROBLEM

Administrative communications continue to be last minute and one-way. During re-application, we were told our program, which members and communities served perceive as excellent, did not meet program standards for service. High community volunteer hours, letters from communities served, and positive program evaluation by members dispute this claim. We also find our rural development program within the guidelines of the manual and the description in the new USDA brochure.

Feedback and assistance at the national and state level were extremely limited during the critical re-application period.

SOLUTION OR RESOURCES NEEDED TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM

Provide more feedback on reports to project managers, and ensure key personnel are available at critical periods.

MEDIA ASSESSMENT

1. NATIONAL IDENTITY ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

One member participated in the Bandon Youth Fair to explain AmeriCorps programs and distribute information; one member participated at Southwest Oregon Community College career day to discuss AmeriCorps; one member talked to students in Myrtle Creek at their career day.

2. MEDIA COVERAGE

N/A

3. OTHER CREATIVE DOCUMENTATION

- Coquille Watershed Association Fact Sheet developed by Brad Pearce.
- Letter of thanks to Pat McVean from Umpqua Regional Council of Governments Director.
- Report on restoration activities by Dave Morris.

TRAINING ASSESSMENT

None

RESTORATION REVIEW

A Fact Sheet of the Coquille Watershed Association
382 N. Central Blvd., Coquille, OR 97423
Phone 396-2841

APPROVED PROJECTS:

Revision:
June 22, 1995

Project Name	Purpose	Grantor	Grant \$	\$ Expended	Balance	Status
X 4th Street Creek (SC-01)	Stream Realignment	WHP	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	Need Final Report
ODFW/DEQ (SC-07)	Stream Habitat Restoration	WHP	\$223,600	\$0	\$0	In Progress
X Lower Coquille (SC-08)	Riparian Restoration	WHP	\$46,700	\$33,657	\$10,828	In Progress
X Culvert Project (SC-17)	Improve Fish Passage	WHP	\$65,000	\$17,447	\$4,654	In Progress
CWA Coordinator (SC-20)	Coordinator Salary	WHP	\$45,000	\$26,920	\$5,480	7/1/94 - 9/30/95
CW Assessment (WSH-02)	Provide GIS Atlas	WHP	\$25,960	\$0	\$0	In Progress
X Dement Creek (SC-XX)	Instream Structures	WHP	\$70,000	\$0	\$0	Need Contract
S. Fk. Hydro Study (# 98-95)	Hydrologic Evaluation	DEQ	\$8,405	\$0	\$0	In Progress
X Coos County Forest	Fish Distribution	CC Frstry	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	In Progress
X Hire The Fisherman	Stream Restoration Labor	NOAA	\$254,000	\$13,803	\$77,418	In Progress
Isenhart Wash	Stream Bank Stabilization	NEAI	\$27,500	\$0	\$0	Need Contract
Hoffman Wash	Stream Bank Stabilization	NEAI	\$22,898	\$0	\$0	Need Contract
CWA General	Opening Operating Funds	CC Frstry	\$1,000	\$373	\$627	Contingency Fund
TOTAL			\$797,063	\$94,200	\$104,007	

PENDING PROJECTS:

Project Name	Purpose	Grantor	Grant Request	Status
Vegetation Release	Maintenance	US Fish & Wildlife Service	\$10,000	Sent Application 5/30/95
Salmon Creek	Stream Restoration	Nat. Fish & Wildlife Foundation	\$12,500	Need Project Work Plan
TOTAL			\$22,500	

FUTURE PROJECTS:

Project Name	Location	Objective	Estimated Cost
Broadbent Washes	S. Fk., Broadbent → M. Fk	Erosion Contrl, Sediment Reduct'n	\$150,000
South Fork Tributaries	Salmon, Hayes, Baker & Roland	Stream Enhancement	\$100,000
Main Stem Tributaries	Catching, Ward and Cove Crks.	Stream Enhancement	\$50,000
Culvert Restoration Continuation	All Forks	Fish Habitat Restoration	\$80,000
Hydromodification	Main Stem	Fish Habitat Restoration	\$40,000
Wet Lands Development	Main Stem	Fish Habitat Restoration	\$50,000
Program Coordinator	All Forks	Program Management	\$80,000
ODFW/DEQ Joint Project	All Forks	Stream Enhancement	\$100,000
Lower Coquille Continuation	Main Stem	Riparian Enhancement	\$25,000
TOTAL			\$675,000

Project Name: Fourth Street Creek Project (SC-01)

Goals outlined for the Fourth Street Crk. project: the alignment of Fourth Street Creek to a more natural course, to tie Fourth Street Creek with off-channel rearing ponds and Cunningham Creek, thereby increasing water flow to the off-channel rearing ponds. Design the channel with emphasis on complexity and stability, and plant native vegetation for temperature improvement and nutrient sources. All project goals were met. This project was designed to biologically enhance two different systems for the mutual benefit of both. Fourth Street Creek now follows a more natural course through the flood plain with added components of a healthy stream.

Project Name: Restoration of Stream Habitat on the Coquille River, ODFW/DEQ (SC-07)**Awaiting Updated Information****Project Name: Lower Coquille Riparian Restoration Project (SC-08)**

Item	Landowner	Site Preparation	Fencing	Planting	Remarks
1	Cochran, Jeff and Marie			1/5 Planted	Gained 16' boat for willow planting. Release work done.
2	Dingus, Dennis			1/3 Planted, 325 trees. Willow planting done.	Release work done.
3	Gorst, Glenn & Joe Fisher	Clearing			Very heavy blackberry
4	Garney, Fox & Mary	Clearing done	Fencing done.	Willow stuck for 3300'. Planted 300 trees. Willow planting done.	Plantings released and fence maintenance done.
5	Kuntz, Steve	Clearing done	Fencing done	230 trees planted. Willow planting done.	Sheep intrusion, plantings released and fence maintenance done.
6	Leibelt, Chuck	Clearing done	1600' of 4 strand barbed wire fence constructed.	1/3 done with 180 trees planted. Willow planting is done.	Cows ate 100' of willows but the plants have resprouted. Other trees released and fence maintenance done.
7	McCarthy, Pete	Clearing done	3/4 mile of 4 strand barbed wire with 2 gates constructed.	2000 willows planted. Approx 1/2 done with willow planting. Experimental Spruce planting.	
8	Peterson, Don	Heavy blackberry clearing done.	2 strand electric fence constructed.	140 trees planted. Roadside transplant of hardwoods. 3/4 of willow planting done.	Plantings released and fence maintenance done.
9	Port of Bandon	Started 6/9/95		Planting planned.	Using Willow
10	Pulvermacher, Julius	Clearing done	250' of one strand electric fence done.	35 Spruce and Western Red Cedar planted.	
11	Clark, Wes "Red"	Site preparation done.		20 trees planted.	Gained boat ramp.

12	Slack, Harry	Little site prep needed	Constructed 2 strand electric fence.	Planted 320 mixed hardwood/Spruce on slough side, 175 mixed on main stem. Willow planting done.	3500' feet of river bank. Plantings released and fence maintenance work done.
13	Young, Keith		Landowner to build fence next year.	Planted 366 trees.. 60% Sitka Spruce. 40% mixed hardwoods & conifers other than Spruce. Willow planting done.	Leased to Rex Pierce. Cut willow on Rex's place for 3 days. 2640 feet. Release work done.

Totals:

- 3 miles of fencing
- 6 miles of site preparation
- 3000 total trees planted
- 5 pick-up loads of streamside debris collected and hauled to the dump.

Work started with landowner contacts on November 10, 1994. On-the-ground production began February 1, 1995 with the Summit Inmate Crews. The Fisherman Crews began work on May 8, 1995. More landowner contacts have been made since original 38 sign-ups.

Project Name: Coquille River Culvert Restoration Project (SC-17)

Item	Landowner	Tributary	Culvert Type	Remarks
1 7/6	Spears, Chuck	King Creek, Middle Fork Coquille	12' x 12' Box Culvert	Placing culvert baffles and a series of jump pools.
2 5/6	Lone Rock Timber	Upper Schoolhouse Creek, N. Fk. Coquille	48" Corrugated Metal Pipe	Replacement of pipe and some debris removal.
3 5/1	Coos County	Schoolhouse Creek, North Fork Coquille	60" Corrugated Metal Pipe	Replacement of pipe.
4 1/14	Coos County	Banner Creek, South Fork Coquille	6' x 6' box Culvert	Addition of jump pools.
5 7/1	Lokan, Bill and Loran	South Fork Coquille tributary	60" Corrugated Metal Pipe	Addition of jump pools.
6 6	Smoak, Vondel	Steel Creek, North Fork Coquille	12' x 12' Box Culvert	Addition of jump pools.
7	Westfall, Neal	Lower Rock Creek, Myrtle Creek	6' x 4 1/2' Pipe Arch	Cost share with GP and/or landowner.
8 1/18	County	Getty's Creek up Catching Creek	60" Corrugated Metal Pipe	County will cost share.
9 1/12	George Domenighini	Cold Creek, tributary to Cunningham Creek	Replace 36" CM Pipe with concrete box pipe.	Owner will cost share.

Project Name: Coos County Forestry Department, Fish Distribution Study

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Dear Pat,

Thanks for your help
with the Ecosystem Investment
Team meeting. You are such
a great resource, it is truly
a joy to work with you.

Thanks, again!


& Community Development**GOALS ACCOMPLISHED****OCTOBER-JUNE****Becoming Effective**

- *Established an office, filing system, background info & study, and a working network of people to get things done.
- *Developed a working job description.
- *Attended regular watershed council and related meetings. Participation helped identify needs, priorities, and areas to focus watershed restoration and community development projects. Attendance also allowed community to be familiarized with the AmeriCorps program.

Projects and Grant writing

**Hire The Fishermen Project; Salmon Habitat Restoration* (Clinton Salmon Disaster Relief Dollars) - Culvert survey, riparian planting and fence building proposals were completed and submitted by Derek Godwin, John Wilson and myself. A Grant totalling \$327,105 was funded by Oregon Department of Agriculture in April of 1995 to conduct the three Salmon Habitat Enhancement projects. Activities involved collaborating w/ local watershed restoration, public & commercial fishing interests to develop restoration project ideas, grant writing, attending ODA and related funding meetings, conducting fishermen outreach, press releases, being a local contact concerning program, organizing fishermen orientation meetings, wrote landowner information and contact sheets, purchasing office supplies and desks for new fishermen office and project materials for the field. Administrative funds enabled Curry SWCD to purchase their first computer, FAX machine, answering machine, new phone system and new copy machine. 15 Fishers have been hired at a family wage of \$12 to \$13 dollars/hr., have been trained and begun working on private lands throughout the county. Over 60 miles of stream bank will be planted, 15 miles of fence built and the majority of Curry County culverts will be surveyed for fish passage problems.

*Completed the Floras Creek Watershed Assessment enabling the Floras Creek Council to set South Coast money aside for project implementation. The Assessment is an available tool for the council to utilize in restoration planning and grant writing. The assessment will be used by the council to identify resources at risk, factors affecting those resources, causes of concern, data gaps and priority project sites. It is a living document to be updated with new information and time.

✓ *Helped Elk-Sixes Watershed Council complete watershed assessment. Wrote a draft assessment for council to work on and attended assessment related meetings.

*Planted trees on Indian Creek, Euchre Creek and around the Port of Gold Beach. Also delivered trees and planting materials to watershed council members. 1,500 planted ; 7,500 d.

*Completed and submitted a \$10,000 grant proposal to the North West Economic Adjustment Initiative for a Floras Creek cost-share fish & riparian restoration project. Grant was approved and funds are expected soon.

*Completed and submitted a \$105,820 Floras Creek Watershed Enhancement Project requesting \$26,670 from SWMG and including \$22,000 landowner "in-Kind", \$38,500 Hire the Fishermen, \$4,000 GWEB, \$10,000 North West Economic Adjustment Initiative, and \$4,650 Administrative "in-kind". All funds have been secured and approved. Work will begin summer 1995.

*All grants worked on have been funded, totalling \$432,925 dollars.

Meetings & Community Involvement

- *Have attended 61 watershed council, assessment or related watershed restoration & community development meetings.
- *Helped clean screens and retrieve stray salmon at Indian Creek Fish Hatchery during Fall Chinook run.
- *Constant phone contact with individuals involved in project planning and implementation.
- *Had a Hire the Fishermen booth at the Commercial Fishing Resource Fair.
- *Got the ball rolling to organize the Floras Creek Watershed Council meeting to review assessment and receive comments. 15 members showed up.
- *Part of Technical Advisory Committee for watershed council projects.
- *Organized tour of project sites and potential fish ladder on Floras Creek watershed w/ agency, landowner & council attendance; ODFW, SCS Engineer, OSU Watershed Restoration Extension Agent, Fish structure specialist, South Coast Coordinator, AmeriCorps Watershed Restoration, & 4 adjacent landowners were present.
- *Set up RC&D watershed tour of Euchre Creek project sites. Seven people present.
- *Gave a Watershed Education talk to Ophir Junior High. About 15 present.
- *Participated in Bandon Youth Career Fair by explaining AmeriCorps programs and distributing information.
- *Hosted AmeriCorps May meeting by organizing a three day camp trip on the Wild and Scenic Rogue River. 14 people present.
- *Organized and facilitated Hire the Fishermen; Salmon Habitat Restoration Orientation meeting. 19 fishermen present.
- *set up meeting to involve ODFW & USFS with the Hire the Fishermen culvert survey project. Objective was to create similar data bases, information to be collected, and involve the agencies in technical training.

Workshops Attended

- **Watershed Restoration on Public & Private Lands.*
- *Participated in the *Commercial Fishing Resource Fair.*
- **Watershed Management Council 1994: Respect, Rethink, Restore.*
- *Grant Writing w/ *Pacific Nonprofit Network.*
- *Stream Restoration by John Schwabe, Calif Fish & Game.
- *Fencing workshop
- *Personal Effectiveness & Crossover Seminar; Being more effective in the work place and throughout your life.
- *CPR & First Aid Training
- *Culvert Survey Training
- *Tool Safety Training
- *Monthly AmeriCorps Training meetings.

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United States
Department of
Agriculture

Soil
Conservation
Service

1835 Assembly Street, Room 950
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Subject: PGM - AmeriCorps Third Quarter Report Date: July 7, 1995

To: Lloyd Wright
Director, Community Assistance and Resource Development
USDA, NRCS, NHQ
Washington, DC

440-5
File code:

Enclosed is the 3rd quarter AmeriCorps report for
South Carolina.

Ellie D. Monoy
MARK W. BERKLAND
State Conservationist

Enclosure



The Soil Conservation Service
is an agency of the
United States Department of Agriculture

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AMERICORPS
3rd QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name: Greenwood and Newberry

State: South Carolina

Site ID #

Your Name: Walley Turner

Your Position: AmeriCorps Manager

Telephone number: 803-253-3314

Fax number: 803-253-3670

e-mail address
(if available)

Date report completed July 7, 1995

Reporting Period: April 1 - June 30, 1995

Program Start-up date: September 12, 1994



UNITED
STATES
DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE

ART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized: N/A
 Environmental Corps Members:
 Rural Development Corps Members:

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter: ..
 Environmental Corps Members:
 Rural Development Corps Members:

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:
 Environmental Corps Members:
 Rural Development Corps Members:

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:
 Environmental Corps Members:
 Rural Development Corps Members:

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:
 Environmental Corps Members:
 Rural Development Corps Members:

Total Hours of Direct Service to date:
 Environmental Corps Members:
 Rural Development Corps Members:



SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

None

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

None

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter.

1

Total-to-date

1

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

1



PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS (One per State - Above site level costs only)
Do NOT include any costs already captured by the Project Manager.

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	<u>25</u>
Approximate dollar amount	<u>5,000.00</u>
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	<u>7,500.00</u>
Travel costs for Members & Managers	<u>1,000.00</u>
Training costs	<u>500.00</u>
Supplies	<u>2,500.00</u>
Uniform costs	<u>-</u>
Program Costs (Please explain what these costs were.)	<u>-</u>

Non-Federal Funds Spent
(Explain)



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

A. Objective I - Collect Data and Conduct Assessment of Water Quality in Rural Watersheds.

1. Number of activities -2
2. Number of partners participating - 4
3. Number of public citizens benefitted - 20,000
4. Number of units of government involved - 4
5. Number of informational activities - 3

Completed review of recycling curriculum that will be used by teachers statewide, posted 2,000 signs in businesses concerning recycling of oil, batteries, and other hazardous materials.

B. Objective II - Implement Grassland Initiative to Improve Water Quality.

1. Number of activities -2
2. Number of partners participating - 2
3. Number of public citizens benefitted - 15,000
4. Number of units of government involved - 2
5. Number of informational activities - 2

Conducted 2 countywide grassland surveys on 50,000 acres of pastureland and hayland. Information was entered into two computer data base programs.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

C. Objective III - Plan and Coordinate a Comprehensive Environmental Education Program.

1. Number of activities - 7
2. Number of partners participating - 12
3. Number of public citizens benefitted - 60,000
4. Number of units of government involved - 4
5. Number of informational activities - 5

Construction of 2 outdoor classrooms, 6 miles of nature trails, 2 teacher curriculum guides, and constructed 10 buildings for outward bound program dealing with troubled kids.

D. Objective IV - Plan and Implement Initiatives to Improve Safety, Health Services, Social Outreach, and Community Assistance.

1. Number of activities - 3
2. Number of partners participating - 5
3. Number of public citizens benefitted - 15,000
4. Number of units of government involved - 4
5. Number of informational activities - 3

Completed restoration work on 3 minority community centers.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

E. Objective V - Wildlife Habitat Improvements in Rural Areas.

1. Number of activities - 1
2. Number of partners participating -2
3. Number of public citizens benefitted - 5,000
4. Number of units of government involved - 2
5. Number of informational activities - 0

Compiled wetland maps for 46 counties in the state.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Member Development: Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

1. Members attended 2 days of joint training with other USDA agencies on problem solving, team building, etc.
2. Members attended 1 day training by state commission.
3. Members attended 1 day training on developing resumes, interview enhancement, etc.
4. Members completed 1 day training on wetland management and wildlife habitat management.

2. Community Building: Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.

A. Objective VI - Enhance Capacity of Community in Rural Areas

1. Number of activities - 3
2. Number of partners participating - 5
3. Number of public citizens benefitted - 10,000
4. Number of units of government involved - 2
5. Number of informational activities - 3

In conjunction with other USDA agencies conducted a national volunteer service workday in partnership with the Town of Santee, SC, local businesses and service organizations.



. Other Accomplishments:

See attached newsletters and letters from sponsors which contains information on projects during this quarter.

Completed video that covers the AmeriCorps rural development story in South Carolina.

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

Our twenty AmeriCorps members worked together on a team project to construct 12 buildings on state property in rural McCormick County. The structures will be used to house troubled kids as part of a outward bound program. The members stayed at the site during construction. This project enabled the NRCS AmeriCorps members to work together on an excellent project that will be used for many years into the future.



TRAINING ASSESSMENT

PRIMARY TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS

Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National and Community Service, or other sources to improve your project.

N/A

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AMERICORPS

THIRD QUARTERLY REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site Name:	Team USDA/AmeriCorps
State:	South Dakota
Site ID #:	94ADFDC010
Your Name:	Joyce Watkins
Your Position:	AmeriCorps Program Manager
Telephone Number:	(605) 352-1227
Fax Number:	352-1270
e-mail address:	mwnet!sdtppgun!jsw
Date Report Completed:	7-10-95
Reporting Period:	April - June 1995
Program Start-up date:	Sept. 12, 1994



SOUTH DAKOTA

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

<u>Number of Members authorized:</u>	20
Environmental Corps Members:	17
Rural Development Corps Members:	2
<u>Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:</u>	15
Environmental Corps Members:	13
Rural Development Corps Members:	2
<u>Number of Members at beginning of quarter:</u>	17
Environmental Corps Members:	15
Rural Development Corps Members:	2
<u>Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:</u>	10,880 hrs.
Environmental Corps Members:	15
Rural Development Corps Members:	2
<u>Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:</u>	10,200 hrs.
Environmental Corps Members:	13
Rural Development Corps Members:	2
<u>Total Hours of Direct Service to date:</u>	21,080 hrs.
Environmental Corps Members:	13
Rural Development Corps Members:	2



SOUTH DAKOTA

PART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Not Applicable, no part-time members.

VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Number of non-AmeriCorps volunteers utilized in AmeriCorps projects: 8

Number of hours contributed to AmeriCorps projects by non-AmeriCorps volunteers: 41

Number of AmeriCorps projects using non-AmeriCorps volunteers: 4

Number of AmeriCorps projects completed by non-AmeriCorps volunteers: 0

- There were no AmeriCorps projects completed exclusively by non-AmeriCorps volunteers. All of the projects utilizing non-AmeriCorps volunteers were completed through a cooperative effort by AmeriCorps members and non-AmeriCorps volunteers.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff Changes made this quarter:

There were no staff changes made this quarter.

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

Number of Members who have left National Service this quarter:	1
Total-to-date:	15
Number of Members who have gained employment through their AmeriCorps Service:	1



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MEMBER ASSESSMENT (as of end of this quarter)

Total Authorized Positions:	20
Total Employed:	16
Total Environmental Corps positions filled:	14
Total Rural Development Corps positions filled:	2

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Gender

Number of Males	10
Number of Females	6
Total	16

Race

Number of Caucasians	16
Number of African Americans	0
Number of Native Americans	0
Number of Hispanics	0
Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander	0
Other	0
Total	16

Education

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED	0
Number with High School or GED	3
Number with some college	7
Number with college degree	6
Number with Graduate degree	0
Number w/Professional or Trade School.	0
Total	16

Other

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS	14
Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps	1
Number of children	1
Number with disabilities	2



SOUTH DAKOTA

BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only - Third Quarter)

Percent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	30 %
Approximate dollar amount	\$600
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	\$1500
Travel costs for Members and Managers	-0-
Training costs	-0-
Supplies	-0-
Uniform Costs	-0-
Program Costs	-0-

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Not applicable

PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS

Federal Dollars Spent on AmeriCorps

Percent of Your time spent on AmeriCorps	20%
Approximate dollar amount	\$400
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	\$1000
Travel costs for Members and Managers	\$500
Training Costs	-0-
Supplies	\$500
Uniform Costs	-0-
Program Costs	-0-
Non-Federal Funds Spent	-0-



SOUTH DAKOTA

OBJECTIVES SECTION

Objective: Improve communication with urban and rural audiences in the watershed areas of South Dakota's 38 counties affected by the 1993 Flood.

PROGRESS TOWARDS MEETING THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE.

- Assisted with area Water Festivals providing educational outreach to local and regional students. Over 2,000 fourth graders attended from the Brookings, Huron, and Sioux Falls, SD, areas.
- Gave presentations on the movement of water through soil at the Brookings Water Festival. Directly educated 120 fourth grade students.
- Gave presentations on water quality to approximately 125 Kindergarten through second grade students for the Sioux Valley Middle School field trip.
- Did educational outreach at four community rural/urban expos: displayed AmeriCorps/Team USDA exhibit at the Huron Town and Country Show portraying AmeriCorps involvement in South Dakota.
- Assisted with the demonstration of the Universal Soil Loss Equation (USLE) and the Revised Edition (RUSLE) to a field lab session from the South Dakota State University Soil and Water Conservation course.

Objective: Improving water quality and reducing flood impacts within the Big Sioux, Vermillion, and James River watersheds in eastern South Dakota.

PROGRESS TOWARDS MEETING THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE.

- Completed the 23-county landuse survey, which will be used to identify the areas that could have a negative impact upon the Big Sioux, Vermillion, and James River watersheds in eastern South Dakota.
- Completed projects targeted at preventing or at least minimizing the damage and intensity of future large flooding events. These projects will also help prevent additional soil erosion and improve riparian and overall watershed health. These projects include 10 willow planting/streambank stabilization projects totalling some 9500 feet of streambank and approximately 4500 willows throughout the 38 flood impacted counties in eastern South Dakota.

Objective: Improve the watershed quality on Lake Campbell so that fish populations would be restored and recreational activity could be improved by 60 percent.

PROGRESS TOWARDS MEETING THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE.

- 43 producer contacts have been made within the watershed.

Of these meetings, successful implementation of Best Management Practices in the project watershed are as follows:

- No-till: 1147 acres



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- Integrated Crop Management: 801 acres
- Conservation Tillage: 376 acres
- Animal Waste Facilities: 2
- Grassed Waterways: 3
- Grazing systems: 6
- Critical area plantings/seedings: 4
- Riparian area improvements.

Objective: Collect data to support an inventory of the soil, water, and related resources within designated flood counties. This data will be incorporated into a state and national inventory that reflects management changes.

PROGRESS TOWARDS MEETING THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE.

- Distributed materials to county offices to accelerate the release of information regarding the status of our natural resources. (This was done in cooperation with Consolidated Farm Services.)
- Assisted in data collection for two special inventories to be used nationally in assigning funds for conservation planning assistance: 1) Erosion Study Update, 12 counties; 2) Conservation Technical Assistance and Watershed Evaluation, eight counties.

Objective: Accelerate the availability of soils data to help make land use decisions that are scientifically sound and economically practical.

PROGRESS TOWARDS MEETING THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE.

- Compiled new soils data materials from three counties: Brookings, Minnehaha, and Charles Mix.
- Edited soils data materials from six counties: Brookings, Brown, Hyde, Minnehaha, Roberts, and Spink.

Objective: Accelerate availability of soils information to users, such as county assessors, national parks, state agencies, on watershed projects.

PROGRESS TOWARDS MEETING THIS COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE.

- Scanned, edited, labeled, edge-matched, plotted, and quality-assured the 14 quadrangle maps in Clay county, SD.
- Provided digital soils information to customers on the county and state level.
- Assisting in the development of an "Introduction to Geographic Information Systems" course for state Natural Resources Conservation Service personnel to help them utilize the digitized information received from the GIS.



SOUTH DAKOTA

PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Member Development: Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

Member development this quarter has consisted of on-the-job training and continual project advancement.

2. Community Building: Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.

The South Dakota AmeriCorps clusters have essentially met all the community service objectives set up at the beginning of the AmeriCorps program.

3. Other Accomplishments:

AmeriCorps members from the Huron cluster helped complete a tree planting project that was started by a local scout troop.

4: Unique Successes or "Great Stories."

Members of the Huron and Brookings AmeriCorps clusters received the chance to help with the South Dakota Special Olympics held in Brookings in May. They helped judge many of the events, escort the athletes from their events to the award platform, and provided moral support and encouragement during the athletes' events.

"This was probably our least publicized activity, yet was personally the most rewarding community activity we were associated with."

- Shane Jordan, Rural Development AmeriCorps member.



SOUTH DAKOTA

TRAINING ASSESSMENT

PRIMARY TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS

There is no need for training or technical assistance. The members are nearing the end of their tours. Any training left will be on-the-job.

MEDIA COVERAGE

AmeriCorps' projects received television, radio, and newspaper coverage.

- Sioux Falls television station, KELO, covered an AmeriCorps willow/stream-bank stabilization project near Brandon, SD. They videotaped the AmeriCorps members at work, and did a couple of interviews. The spot was aired on the evening news.
- A 15 minute interview of a rural development member at the AmeriCorps booth in the Huron Town and Country Show was played on KOKK radio, during the May 6 show "Personalities."
- The Huron Daily Plainsman also covered AmeriCorps members during a willow planting project near Lake Byron, 13 miles northeast of Huron.

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Tennessee

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3rd AMERICORPS
QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name: NRCS - Tennessee

State: Tennessee

Site ID # _____

Your Name: John T. Harris

Your Position: State Program Director

Telephone number: (615) 736-5472

Fax number: (615) 736-7135

e-mail address
(if available) _____

Date report completed 7-7-95

Reporting Period: April 30 - June 1

Program Start-up date: _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>23</u>
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>19</u>
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>19</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>11,721</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>10,145</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>25481.5</u>

PART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

N/A

Number of Members authorized:

Environmental Corps Members: _____

Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____

Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____

Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____

Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____

Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service to date: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____

Rural Development Corps Members: _____



VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers:
involved in AmeriCorps service activities in
this quarter

113

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities:
completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers
in this quarter.

1154



SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter.

0

Total-to-date

3

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

0



MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 21 TOTAL EMPLOYED: 19

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED
TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED

19

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER

Number of Males

9

Number of Females

10

TOTAL

19

Box 2 - RACE

Number of Caucasians

16

Number of African Americans

3

Number of Native Americans

Number of Hispanics

Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander

Other

TOTAL

19

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED

2

Number with High School or GED

7

Number with some college

8

Number with college degree

2

Number with Graduate degree

Number w/Professional or Trade School

TOTAL

19

NOTE: Totals in boxes 1-3 should be the same number and should be the same as TOTAL EMPLOYED.

BOX 4 - OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS

5

Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps

2

Number of children

2

Number w/Disabilities

0

BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)
 Project Manager completes this section

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps
 Approximate dollar amount

12 %
 \$ 33,850

Cost for any other Federal employee spending
 time on AmeriCorps

\$ 5,845

Travel costs for Members & Managers

\$ 3,138

Training costs

\$ 800

Supplies

\$ 2,792

Uniform costs

—

Program Costs

—

(Please explain what these costs were.)

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies

\$ 9,636

Travel

\$ 56

Training

\$ 150

Program Costs

\$ 1,750

Other

\$ 1,906

PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS (One per State - Above site level costs only)
 Do NOT include any costs already captured by the Project Manager.

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	50%
Approximate dollar amount	<u>7,500</u>
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	<u>1,000</u>
Travel costs for Members & Managers	<u>1,500</u>
Training costs	<u>500</u>
Supplies	<u>100</u>
Uniform costs	<u>—</u>
Program Costs	<u>—</u>
(Please explain what these costs were.)	

Non-Federal Funds Spent
 (Explain)



United States
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675 U. S. Courthouse
801 Broadway
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Subject: AmeriCorps Third Quarter
Report - Tennessee

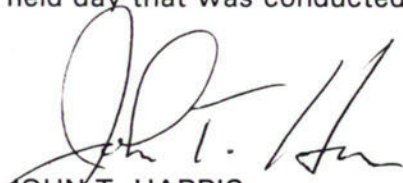
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To: Paula Cole Jones
Washington D.C.

File Code: 410

Enclosed you will find reports from the operating sites in Tennessee along with a consolidated report for the State. After reviewing the reports, you will find that the AmeriCorps program in Tennessee is truly meeting the AmeriCorps Ethic of getting things done, strengthening communities, encouraging responsibility, and expanding opportunities for members.

During my review of the reports, some highlights were noted that include: Several projects that emphasize environmental awareness, education, and responsibility; some projects that emphasize recycling of solid waste, rural fire protection, improvement of water quality in the rural areas; and one effort to enhance rural tourism. Another note-worthy effort was a field day that was conducted to expose inner city youth to rural life.



JOHN T. HARRIS
State Rural Development Specialist

Enclosures

cc:
Jerry S. Lee



AMERICORPS
QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name: Whitley County Communities for Children

State: Kentucky

Site ID #: 61-1075327

Your Name: Della Cox

Your Position: Soil Conservation

Telephone number: 606-549-1944

Fax number: 606-549-2249

e-mail address
(if available) _____

Date report completed 7-6-95

Reporting Period: 4-1-95 / 6-30-95

Program Start-up date: 10-94



MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:		
Environmental Corps Members:		<u>1</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>1</u>
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		<u>1</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>1</u>
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		<u>1</u>
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>1</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		<u> </u>
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u> </u>
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:		<u>510</u>
Environmental Corps Members:		<u> </u>
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u>510</u>
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:		<u>1556</u>
Environmental Corps Members:		<u> </u>
Rural Development Corps Members:		<u> </u>



VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers:
involved in AmeriCorps service activities in
this quarter

30

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities:
completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers
in this quarter.

210



SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

None

2. Program structural changes made this quarter: None

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter,

0

Total-to-date

0

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

0



MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 1 TOTAL EMPLOYED: 1

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED

TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 1

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER

Number of Males

Number of Females

TOTAL

Box 2 - RACE

Number of Caucasians

Number of African Americans

Number of Native Americans

Number of Hispanics

Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander

Other

TOTAL

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED

Number with High School or GED

Number with some college

Number with college degree

Number with Graduate degree

Number w/Professional or Trade School

TOTAL

NOTE: Totals in boxes 1-3 should be the same number and should be the same as TOTAL EMPLOYED.

BOX 4 - OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS

Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps

Number of children

Number w/Disabilities



BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only) Project Manager completes this section	
Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	<u>5%</u>
Approximate dollar amount	<u>\$ 1,150</u>
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	<u>N/A</u>
Travel costs for Members & Managers	<u>1,200</u>
Training costs	<u> </u>
Supplies	<u> </u>
Uniform costs	<u> </u>
Program Costs	<u> </u>
(Please explain what these costs were.)	

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps	
Supplies	<u>100</u>
Travel (reimbursed by ASCS)	<u> </u>
Training	<u>150</u>
Program Costs - Computer, fax use	<u>250</u>
Other - Office, phone utilities @ \$100/mo	<u>1,000</u>



PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS (One per State - Above site level costs only)
Do NOT include any costs already captured by the Project Manager.

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps _____
Approximate dollar amount _____

Cost for any other Federal employee spending _____
time on AmeriCorps _____

Travel costs for Members & Managers _____

Training costs _____

Supplies _____

Uniform costs _____

Program Costs _____
(Please explain what these costs were.) _____

Non-Federal Funds Spent _____
(Explain)



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective) This Quarters objective was to improve animal housing. This involved work crews from out of the area - Planning jobs and seeing to housing. Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

This quarter we have worked with 6 work crews. We have built 3 barns, 2 fences, and built pheasant cages. We also painted homes and did home repairs. We drilled one family a water well.

I did 2 surveys - the planned Survey mentioned in our Community Service Activities is completed and is in the process of being analyzed.

I also did a survey for the Whitley County Judge-Executive involving water service.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. **Member Development:** Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

Attended A 3 Day Conference in Ohio
with several Non-Member Volunteers

2. **Community Building:** Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.

I created and conducted a survey. I
had good participation. I also conducted
meetings and workshops with non-
member volunteers.



3. Other Accomplishments:

N/A

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

N/A



PRIMARY CHALLENGES

Report on problems resolved and unresolved, obstacles to achieving program objectives, significant sources of delay, program elements not meeting expectations, events or incidents that caused concern. Use the format below for explaining problems and solutions.

NATURE OF PROBLEM

Please state the problem clearly and concisely. Be candid.

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED?

IF NO, WHAT STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM?

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE SOLUTION OR RESOURCES NEEDED TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM?

Specify what steps you, your Members, USDA, and/or the Corporation for National Service can take to rectify the problems or at least ensure they do not recur in the future



TRAINING ASSESSMENT

PRIMARY TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS

Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National and Community Service, or other sources to improve your project.

Any and all available



MEDIA ASSESSMENT

1. NATIONAL IDENTITY ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

NONE

2. MEDIA COVERAGE

NONE

3. OTHER CREATIVE DOCUMENTATION

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3rd AMERICORPS
QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name:

Henderson Settlement
Frakes, Ky.

State:

Tennessee

Site ID #

Your Name:

Stephanie Rose (Rodney Hendricks)

Your Position:

Americorp Participant

Telephone number:

606-337-3613

Fax number:

606-337-2225e-mail address
(if available)

Date report completed

7-6-95

Reporting Period:

Dec. 1, 1994 - July 5, 1995

Program Start-up date:

10-2-94

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MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

1

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

1

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

1

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

308

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

1182.5

Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

1490.5

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VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers:
involved in AmeriCorps service activities in
this quarter

1

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities:
completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers
in this quarter.

280

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MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 1 **TOTAL EMPLOYED:** 1

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 1
TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 1

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER

Number of Males 1

Number of Females 1

TOTAL 2

Box 2 - RACE

Number of Caucasians 1

Number of African Americans 1

Number of Native Americans 1

Number of Hispanics 1

Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander 1

Other 1

TOTAL 6

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED 1

Number with High School or GED 1

Number with some college 1

Number with college degree 1

Number with Graduate degree 1

Number w/Professional or Trade School 1

TOTAL 6

NOTE: Totals in boxes 1-3 should be the same number and should be the same as **TOTAL EMPLOYED**.

BOX 4 - OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS 1

Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps 1

Number of children 1

Number w/Disabilities 1

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SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

*Virginia Short, Facilitator USDA/Americorps
Appalachian Project Area and*

*Dana York to John Harris, Assistant State
Conservationist.*

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter,

0

Total-to-date

0

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

0

Objective: (state objective)

To develop a survey to better understand and identify local community members with the resources and interests in agricultural development.

Progress towards meeting this community service objective

I have surveyed local residents and gotten their feedback from a local standpoint. This survey also helped to get to know area residents and their viewpoints on agricultural topics.

Objective: (state objective)

To meet and understand the needs of those community members who are interested in agricultural development.

Progress towards meeting this community service objective

The survey helped me to understand who was interested in what, so I then used this information to link the best programs to the residents needs. Programs such as the new Bell County Farmers Market that has just begun, and programs being done through local extension agents, and soil conservation services.

Objective: (state objective)

To meet and understand those connected with local agricultural resources. Examples: Local county extension agents, local horticulture teacher, district conservationists, area veterinarians, and people connected with agricultural marketing power.

Progress towards meeting this community service objective

I have met all of the above and told them what AmeriCorps is all about and what I am doing to help local residents, they in turn provide me with decisive information about things they specialize in and programs they do that benefit local residents.

Objective: (state objective)

To link objectives one and two to provide sufficient information, counseling, and support services to enable those interested persons to utilize agriculture as a means of economic development.

Progress towards meeting this community service objective
I have linked area residents with appropriate programs and counseling services so that they have the know how to use agriculture to subsidize their incomes.

Objective: (state objective)

To stimulate awareness and participation of agriculture in the grade school and high school levels.

Progress towards meeting this community service objective

I made agriculture awareness a weekly subject as I went in grades 4-6 and used demonstration aides from 4-H to stimulate kids thinking of agriculture. I also helped these grades to participate in the Kentucky Department of Agriculture poster and essay contest.

Primary Accomplishments

1. Member Development: Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

I have helped other members as much as I could by answering questions and giving my overall input on situations.

2. Community Building: Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.

I have met a lot of people in the community and understand their needs. Although I have only been here for 10 months, I think in this time period I have accomplished my goals and have made a successful start for the sustainable agriculture development program in this area.

Training Assessment

PRIMARY TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS

Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National and Community Service, or other sources to improve your project.

A plan of works should already be set up for an AmeriCorp Member before they arrive at their work area. This would minimize start up time and let them start scheduled work as soon as they arrive.

Media Assessment

1. National identity activities this quarter

Civil Rights Training in Knoxville, TN
Martin Luther King Event in Memphis, TN

2. Media Coverage

3. Other Creative Documentation



BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)
Project Manager completes this section

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps
Approximate dollar amount

\$ 600 5%
\$50 per week

Cost for any other Federal employee spending
time on AmeriCorps

N/A

Travel costs for Members & Managers

\$ 135 \$45.00 per month

Training costs

0

Supplies

0

Uniform costs

0

Program Costs

0

(Please explain what these costs were.)

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies

0

Travel

0

Training

0

Program Costs

0

Other

0



3rd AMERICORPS
QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name:

So. East TN RC&D Office

State:

TN

Site ID #

Your Name:

Bob Peters

Your Position:

Coordinator

Telephone number:

615 479 - 6788

Fax number:

559 0657

e-mail address
(if available)

Date report completed

7-3-95

Reporting Period:

3rd Qtr

Program Start-up date:

11/22/94

MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

4

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

4

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

4

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter: 1825

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

1825

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

2002.5

2002.5

Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:

Environmental Corps Members:

Rural Development Corps Members:

4624.5

4624.5



VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers:
involved in AmeriCorps service activities in
this quarter _____

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities:
completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers
in this quarter. _____



PART-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter: _____

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____

Total Hours of Direct Service to date:

Environmental Corps Members: _____
Rural Development Corps Members: _____



MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 4 TOTAL EMPLOYED: 4

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED

TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED

4

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER

Number of Males

2

Number of Females

2

TOTAL

4

Box 2 - RACE

Number of Caucasians

1

Number of African Americans

3

Number of Native Americans

Number of Hispanics

Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander

Other

TOTAL

4

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED

Number with High School or GED

Number with some college

Number with college degree

Number with Graduate degree

Number w/Professional or Trade School

TOTAL

4

NOTE: Totals in boxes 1-3 should be the same number and should be the same as TOTAL EMPLOYED.

BOX 4 - OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS

0

Number receiving Child Care through AmeriCorps

2

Number of children

2

Number w/Disabilities

0

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THIS QUARTER

1. Staff changes made this quarter:

None

2. Program structural changes made this quarter:

None

Number of Members who have left National Service
this quarter.

0

Total-to-date

- 0 -

Number of Members who have gained employment thru their
AmeriCorps Service

0



PROJECT DIRECTOR COSTS (One per State - Above site level costs only)
Do **NOT** include any costs already captured by the Project Manager.

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps _____
Approximate dollar amount _____

Cost for any other Federal employee spending _____
time on AmeriCorps _____

Travel costs for Members & Managers _____

Training costs _____

Supplies _____

Uniform costs _____

Program Costs _____
(Please explain what these costs were.)

Non-Federal Funds Spent _____
(Explain)



BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)
Project Manager completes this section

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps
Approximate dollar amount

20%
\$ 8000

Cost for any other Federal employee spending
time on AmeriCorps

\$ 1000

Travel costs for Members & Managers

\$ 50

Training costs

\$ 100

Supplies

Uniform costs

Program Costs

(Please explain what these costs were.)

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies

Travel

Training

Program Costs

Other

PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. **Member Development:** Progress made in boosting the personal development of members.

2. **Community Building:** Progress made in meeting your community service objectives.



Objectives Section

Objective: (state objective)

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

The AmeriCorps Plan of Work contains objectives which involve several community development projects. Each member has been and is persistent and successfully working on these projects addressing the following objectives:

- ** Improve economic condition and quality of life in rural communities of Southeast Tennessee area.
- ** Improve environmental awareness and provide assistance to establish environmental educational facilities in rural and urban areas.
- ** Establish and work in cooperation with sponsors in developing and networking useful or marketable waste conservation strategies through the aid of the Americorp program

Their achievements will be described on the following pages.

(complete this sheet for each objective)



PRIMARY CHALLENGES

Report on problems resolved and unresolved, obstacles to achieving program objectives, significant sources of delay, program elements not meeting expectations, events or incidents that caused concern. Use the format below for explaining problems and solutions.

NATURE OF PROBLEM

Please state the problem clearly and concisely. Be candid.

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED?

IF NO, WHAT STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM?

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE SOLUTION OR RESOURCES NEEDED TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM?

Specify what steps you, your Members, USDA, and/or the Corporation for National Service can take to rectify the problems or at least ensure they do not recur in the future



3. Other Accomplishments:

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

MELANIE JOHNSON

CLEVELAND, TN

I GRADUATED FROM BRADLEY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL AND AM CURRENTLY ENROLLED AT CLEVELAND STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITH TWO YEARS COMPLETED AT TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY. I HAVE WORKED AT BLOCKBUSTER VIDEO AND JC PENNEY EACH FOR ONE YEAR.

MY PRESENT GOALS ARE TO GRADUATE FROM TSU, ENTER THE WORK FORCE, AND WORK TOWARDS MY MASTERS.

THEY HAVE NOT CHANGED AS A RESULT OF AMERICORPS.

THE AMERICORPS PROGRAM HAS PERSONALLY AFFECTED ME BY ENABLING ME TO PAY FOR A PORTION OF SCHOOL. I HAVE ALSO MET PEOPLE THAT IN THE FUTURE CAN ASSIST ME IN VARIOUS AREAS.

I HAVE LEARNED DIFFERENT WAYS TO EDUCATE PEOPLE ABOUT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.

I HAVE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE FROM BEING INVOLVED WITH 4-H.

I HAVE GONE TO SCHOOL AND WORKED WITH PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS BEFORE AND HAVE NEVER REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT IT OR HAD ANY TROUBLE WITH IT.

I WOULD TELL ANYONE INTERESTED IN AMERICORPS THAT IT IS A GREAT LEARNING EXPERIENCE.

I can only say that I am proud to be able to do community service at a grassroots but very important level.

7. In working with people of different backgrounds, I have learned that no matter what color we are, we all share underlying common interest. These are self-enhancement, opportunity, and most importantly find our true place and partake in the great circle of life.

8. I would tell anyone wishing to be involved with NRCS AmeriCorp program these two particular things. First, they are opening the doors for their collegiate scholarship. Secondly, it's not a matter of what your country can do to or for you, but what you are willing to do to be made manifest toward your country and throughout the globe. Through these two particular things in general, builds individual merit and character.

Corery Le'Nard Price

Southeast Tennessee RC&D
AmeriCorp Member

1. My name is Corery Le'Nard Price. I am a graduate of Tyner High School in Chattanooga Tennessee. I have attended East Tennessee State University for two years. Along with working in the AmeriCorp Program, my service experiences range from community service projects with an organization called Jack and Jill of America, Inc., to service projects involving school and church.

2. Upon completion of the AmeriCorp Program, I intend to transfer to the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. Where I will change my major from Health Care Administration to Environmental Studies: Anthropology and Sociology. I will also minor in Criminal Justice: Law and the Courts.

3. My experience in the program has definitely made a great impact on my career goals and means. I have a different outlook on agriculture as a whole. I realize that it deals with many different things other than farming. I am also changing my collegiate studies because of that impact.

4. I would describe my experience in the AmeriCorp Program as somewhat enlightening. I also consider this a great experience considering that there are some skills that can't be taught in a school but through actual experience in the matter.

5. Through this particular program I have learned the importance of natural resources. Furthermore, the importance of conservation toward natural resources considering they are limited.

6. Since I have been involved in community service activities before my involvement with the AmeriCorp Program,

1995 AmeriCorps Members' Stories

Those of you serving in NRCS AmeriCorps this first year are pioneers in this experience. We would like to learn from you about some of the impacts of this program on the members. Would you take a few minutes to answer the questions below? This is a voluntary opportunity to share your personal story of the AmeriCorps service experience. This information will be helpful in the development of future projects and in explaining the value of AmeriCorps to policymakers. (Names will not be used without permission).

Name: D.D. NIELSEN

Project location: Etoway, Tennessee

Briefly describe your background (education, work and service experiences, etc.):

B.S. Degree, 1994 from UT-Knoxville in Forest Resource Management and a minor in Wildlife and Fisheries Science.

What are your present education and career goals?

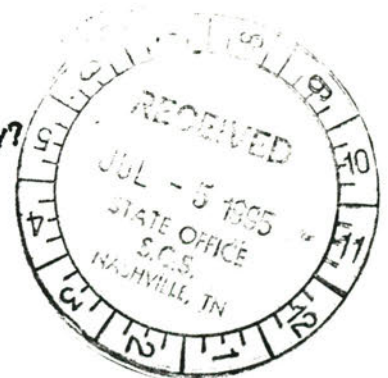
To finish a master of science in planning at UTK. From there ?

Have they changed at all as a result of your AmeriCorps experience? Yes _____ No X

If yes, please explain:

How would you describe the impact of this AmeriCorps experience on you personally?

My experience has helped me with attending graduate school.



What have you learned about natural resources through this program?

I am continually adding to the education and training in this field. Too much to mention.

What have you learned about community service through this experience?

I believe in community service and I have learned that everyone is part of (a) (the) community and that everyone has a responsibility to serve.

What have you learned about working with people of different backgrounds?

There are all types in the world and we need to try and understand each other.

What would you tell someone who expresses interest in applying for NRCS AmeriCorps?

GO FOR IT!

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 21, 1994

Mr. Corery Le' Nard Price
7904 Orchard Valley Drive
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37421

Dear Corery:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter. I appreciate your interest in the many complex issues facing our nation. To find solutions to all the challenges we face, I welcome the thoughts and ideas of all Americans who care about our future.

I'm glad you took the time to write, and I hope that you will stay involved.

Sincerely,

Bill Clinton

information of the AmeriCorp Service Program to a group of students touring the headquarters here in Cleveland, Tennessee. The students were from the Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical school.

I am currently preparing a television media package. The package will focus on the AmeriCorp Program in general, and its importance. Also, the outcome of the program if the republican's government downsizing initiative prevails in congress.

4. I have two unique successes that I have accomplished. One, I have written a request for next years AmeriCorp Program. It is called Ethnic Uplift. It has to deal with the African American population as a whole. It stresses issues of importance such as the decline of the African American race, population wise and tradition and custom wise.
The second is more personal than an actual accomplishment. Before the Republicans took the parliament majority, I decided to write a personal letter to President Bill Clinton concerning the direction and course of the United States of America. The letter included many things that are taking place. Furthermore, it expressed my concern for the common man and African American population. However, it wasn't written as one that has normal intelligence, it was written with a sense of truth and wisdom.
Since my response to my letter, I have seen little change in the way congress is operating. Perhaps this is due to an direct communication failure or because I lack the desired credentials needed to be heard as an authoritative voice. Furthermore, it may display the segregational gap between the common man and the elite.

News Media Package

Two news media packages were prepared. One for the Chattanooga area in which didn't get any response. Another for the Cleveland Daily Banner, which did get publication. The package expressed concerns for the AmeriCorp Program, with it being subject to termination. Also, with information concerning projects done in Bradley County area.

Recycling Project

I have worked with Mrs Dyan Hayes of Keep America Beautiful Inc,. There was a workshop held at Bradley Square Mall concerning recycling importance along with other environmental preservation information. The information and workshop was for the general public attending the mall. Project was sponsored by Glad Co., in which the name Glad Bag-A-Thon came to existence.

There are also upcoming proposal for major industrial recycling center in Hamilton County and recycling collection centers for RC&D development bodies.

3. Other accomplishments include working on the Oscar Scott's Farm in "Give a hoot day for kids". The project included eight-hundred kids, and presented environmental and agricultural importance. Tennessee Regional and state Envirothon participation. Where I worked with the competing schools, during the competitions. The regional was held at Spangler Farm in Chattanooga, and the state held at The UT Agriculture 4-H facilities in Crossville, TN. Media coverage was provided for the events. The U.S. Forestry Service held a fire simulation and training course in Knoxville, Tennessee. I participated in the role playing of characters (calls) that the Forestry Service could and often times do encounter. I also assisted them in providing

AmeriCorp Primary Accomplishments

Corery Le'Nard Price

1. The progress made in boosting the personal development of members, can best be summed up by the gathering at Memphis, Tennessee. I think each individual member really realized and recognized the importance of the AmeriCorp National Service Program. Also, as for myself, there has also been several other development boosters. Such as the grant writing basics workshop in Rutledge, Tennessee, where essentials were learned that aren't available in collegiate education. There are also OJT (On the Job Training) skills that are necessary for one to be able to manage everyday office task. All of these elements combined, work for the whole development of each member.
2. The community service projects are becoming a regularity. Now that the majority of the community is aware of the AmeriCorp program.

Tennessee Overhill Project

Listing of McMinn, Monroe, and Polk County small craft businesses. Listing will serve as catering information for upcoming 1996 Olympic Games.

Ducktown Project

Ducktown Elementary School has a wild cranberry bog which grows behind the school along a creek bed. I am working with the school officials in preserving the present bog. Also, trying to develop techniques in which will enhance the bog for future growth.



MEDIA ASSESSMENT

1. NATIONAL IDENTITY ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

NONE

2. MEDIA COVERAGE

There was no media coverage of this project during this quarter.

3. OTHER CREATIVE DOCUMENTATION

None.



PRIMARY CHALLENGES

Report on problems resolved and unresolved, obstacles to achieving program objectives, significant sources of delay, program elements not meeting expectations, events or incidents that caused concern. Use the format below for explaining problems and solutions.

NATURE OF PROBLEM

Please state the problem clearly and concisely. Be candid.

There were several museums to be included in the guidebook that had difficulty finding time to send material to member for development.

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED?

YES. The member was persistent with reminding the spokespeople to respond.

IF NO, WHAT STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM?

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE SOLUTION OR RESOURCES NEEDED TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM?

Specify what steps you, your Members, USDA, and/or the Corporation for National Service can take to rectify the problems or at least ensure they do not recur in the future

This is not really a problem that prompt reminders would not resolve.



TRAINING ASSESSMENT

PRIMARY TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS

Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National and Community Service, or other sources to improve your project.

A workshop or training session of writing for children would have been helpful.