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Redlands

**AMERICORPS
4th QUARTER REPORT**

1995

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name: Redlands

State: CA

Site ID# Y06K

Your Name: Jim Earsom

Your Position: District Conservationist

Telephone Number: (909) 799-7407

FAX Number: (909) 799-1438

e-mail address ca2344!earsom
(if available)

Date report completed: 9/19/95

Reporting Period: June 1, 1995 - September 19th, 1995

Program Start-up Date: September 12, 1994

MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:

Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	7

Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	7

Number of Members at beginning of quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	7

Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	3780

Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:

Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	262

Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:

Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	11,900

VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers: 30
involved in AmeriCorps service activities
in this quarter

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities: 40
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 7
this quarter.

Total-to-date 7

Number of Members who have gained employment 3
through their AmeriCorps Service

MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 7 TOTAL EMPLOYED: 7

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED
TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 7

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - GENDER		
Number of Males	4	
Number of Females	3	
TOTAL		7

Box 2 - RACE		
Number of Caucasians	1	
Number of African Americans	1	
Number of Native Americans		
Number of Hispanics		2
Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander	3	
Other		
TOTAL		7

Box 3 - EDUCATION		
Number w/out High School Diploma or GED		
Number with High School or GED		
Number with some college	4	
Number with college degree	3	
Number with Graduate degree		
Number w/Professional or Trade School		
TOTAL		7

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	7	
Number receiving Child Care thru AmeriCorps	0	
Number of children		0
Number w/Disabilities		1

BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)

Project Manager completes this section

Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	40	
Approximate dollar amount		20,000
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps		15,000
Travel costs for Members and Managers	Est 1,050	
Training costs		215
Supplies		Est 200
Uniform costs		
Program costs	Est 500	

(Please explain what these costs were.) Vehicles furnished for transportation.

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies	0
Travel	0
Training	0
Program Costs	0
Other	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)

Objectives Section

Objective #1:

Reduce water pollution, conserve water, improve irrigation.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives:

1. Major ad campaign to make the public aware of storm drain stenciling program. Both Spanish speaking and English radio stations carried the PSA.
2. Ten dairies received Topo surveys saving \$35,000. This is the first step to recycle 17,602 tons of animal waste and keep it out of surface waters.

Objective #2: Watershed protection.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives:

1. Erosion Fair in Claremont.

Vendors provided information on erosion control and other erosion issues.

Two of the members attended the event.

2. Morongo Indian Reservation Riverbasin study.

The study is to assist the reservation with their flooding problems.

Two AmeriCorps members (Toan and Adrian) assisted the State office personnel with survey.

The Morongo Indian Reservation has requested EWP assistance to repair storm damage.

3. Lone Pine Canyon.

Owners in the area want to build a fish pond and convert the existing area into a recreation park.

Two members surveyed and completed the plan for the canyon.

4. Chino Hills State Park.

Three AmeriCorps surveyed the site and a plan was developed to restore the spillway

The pond is a habitat for wild turtles

The finished plan, once implemented, will protect the dam and reduce erosion.

Objective #3: Conservation Education and outreach to
minorities, limited resource farmers and the general
public.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives:

1. Annual Environmental Expo.
An environmental exposition held at Cal State
University San Bernardino.

Environmental information was provided by vendors.

5,000 people attended the event.

Two members assisted the local RCD's by operating
the booths.
2. Nature Discovery Programs.
Approximately 7,477 students have participated in the
programs.

The programs are created to give elementary students
a perspective on nature and nature's needs through
plays, games and activities.
3. Composting Workshop (Inland Empire West).
A workshop was conducted to provide information on
backyard composting/mulching.

Free mulch was available to the public.

Three AmeriCorps assisted in the event.
4. Troth Elementary School.
A school beautification project is in the planning
stage.
5. Ayala High School in Chino Hills.
A hillside erosion control project is in process.
6. Chemehuvi Indian Reservation.
Kathy Robinson, NRCS engineer from El Centro,
requested assistance from AmeriCorps to survey
the site. Two members drove to Needles and spent
the night in order to complete the survey.

PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

Joint cluster meetings began this quarter with the Riverside cluster.

A 2 day training session on personnel issues was held in Davis.

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

A land survey to provide information to the Chemehuv Indian Tribe for a landfill project was completed saving the tribe \$8,000.

3. **Other Accomplishments:**

None

4. **Unique Successes or "Great Stories":**

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.

Schedule coordination and NRCS program demands.

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED?

No

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

none

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.

More time is needed to devote to the AmeriCorps members to make the program run better.

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.

None, The terms have ended.

MEDIA ASSESSMENT

1. NATIONAL IDENTITY ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

None

2. MEDIA COVERAGE

3. OTHER CREATIVE DOCUMENTATION

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
US DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE

AMERICORPS PROJECTS

1996

STATE: CA

Name JIM EARSON - REDLANDS CLUSTER

Phone: 909-799-7467

Code	Project	Measurement	
SCD	Soil Conservation Districts	no. of district sponsored projects	
		no. of AmeriCorps members	0
RCD	Resource Conservation & Development areas	no. of projects	
		no. of AmeriCorps members	0
NA	Native American	no. of projects	1
		name of reservation	MORONGO INDIAN RESERVATION
		no. of AmeriCorps members working on reservations	3
AW	Adopt-A-Watershed	no. of organizations	
		no. of tributaries	0
		no. of projects	
CE	Conservation Education	no. of participants K-12	7400
		no. of participants general public	
CP	Conservation Planning	no. of acres	426
CPR	Coastal Protection	no. of acres	
		miles	0
CR	Cultural Resources	no. of sites	
		acres	0
CU	Clean Ups	no. of sites	
		type of clean up	0
DH	Dry Hydrants	no. of hydrants installed	
		no. of sites identified	0
		no. of fire departments involved	
FA	Farm*A*Syst	no. of assessments	
		no. of practices changed	0
FC	Forestry Conservation	no. of acres	0
FP	Fire Protection	no. of acres	0
FPR	Flood Prevention	no. of acres	300
		other	
FR	Flood Recovery	no. of acres	0
FS	Fish Stock	no. of locations	
		no. of fish and species	0
GIS	Geo Information		0
GL*	Grasslands	no. of assessments	
		no. of acres needing treatment	
		no. of acres treated	0

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
US DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE

AMERICORPS PROJECTS

1996

STATE: _____ Name _____

Phone: _____

Code	Project	Measurement	
RW	Rural Water	no. of projects	0
		no. of people served	
SA	Sustainable Agriculture	no. of acres	0
		no. of projects	
SH	Salmon Habitat	no. of sites improved	0
		other	
TB	Timber Bridge	no. of bridges installed	0
		no. of feet	
TR*	Tourism		0
UF	Urban Forestry	no. of trees	0
UG	Urban Gardens	no. of sites	0
		no. of square feet	
		no. of plants	
WE	Wind Erosion	no. of trees planted	0
		no. of miles	
		no. of acres	
WI	Wildlife Improvement	no. of acres	0
		other description	
WP	Well Protection	no. of wells sealed	0
		other	
WR	Wetland Restoration	no. of acres	0

* Use the best unit of measuring your work.

Please note: This is the first attempt to quantify the work NRCS accomplished through the AmeriCorps program. Your information will be entered into a data base that we can sort and cross reference by projects, geographic locations, activities, etc. After reviewing our results and your comments, we will revise our approach.

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
US DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE

AMERICORPS PROJECTS

1996

STATE: _____ Name _____

Phone: _____

Code	Project	Measurement	
HA	Home*A*Syst	no. of assessments	
		no. of practices changed	0
HC	Handicap Access	no. of feet restored	new 0
		no. of miles restored	new
HS	Housing	no. of units	0
IPM	Int. Pest Mgt	no. of sites	0
		no. of acres	0
IR	Irrigation	no. of acres	80
		gallons of water saved	26,068,080
		no. of users	
NM	Nutrient Mgt	no. of plans completed	
		no. of acres treated	0
		other	
NT	Nature Trails	no. of feet restored	new 0
		no. of miles restored	new
OC	Outdoor Classroom Installed	no. enhanced	0
		no. of new sites installed	
PM	Plant Materials	no. of plants propagated	
		no. of trees planted	0
		no. of other plants planted	
		no. of greenhouses installed	
		other	
PR	Park Restoration	no. of parks restored	
		no. of acres restored	0
		other	
RCY	Recycling	no. of projects	
		amount and type of recyclables	0
REC	Recreation	no. of sites	
		no. of plans	0
		no. and types of activities conducted	
RF	Reforestation	no. of acres	
		no. of trees planted	0
RI	Road Improvement	no. of miles	
		no. of linear feet	0
RR	Riparian Restoration	no. of acres	0
RT	Rails to Trails	no. of miles	0

AMERICORPS
4th QUARTER REPORT

1995

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name: Riverside

State: CA

Site ID# Unknown

Your Name: Jim Earsom

Your Position: District Conservationist

Telephone Number: (909) 799-7407

FAX Number: (909) 799-1438

e-mail address ca2344!Earsom
(if available)

Date report completed: 9/15/95

Reporting Period: July 1, 1995 - September 15th, 1995

Program Start-up Date: June 5, 1995

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:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		0
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		2320
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:		
Environmental Corps Members:		
Rural Development Corps Members:		2320

VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

Total Number of non-AmeriCorps Volunteers: involved in AmeriCorps service activities in this quarter	0
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Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities: completed by non-AmeriCorps Member volunteers in this quarter	0
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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.	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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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	1
Number of Native Americans	1
Number of Hispanics	1
Number of Asian Americans/Pacific Islander	
Other	
TOTAL	4

Box 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED	1
Number with High School or GED	3
Number with some college	2
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	3
Number receiving Child Care thru AmeriCorps	0
Number of children	0
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	40
Approximate dollar amount	4,800
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	2,000
Travel costs for Members and Managers	900
Training costs	0
Supplies	200
Uniform costs	0
Program costs	1,000
(Please explain what these costs were.) Vehicles furnished for transportation.	

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps

Supplies	0
Travel	0
Training	0
Program Costs	0
Other	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)

Objectives Section

Objective: (State Objective) Plan, Present, Install Conservation Measures That Will Restore & Protect Watersheds (EWP).

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives:

1. Survey Avocado Grove For Erosion Control.
2. Contacted 169 Land Owners After Fire.
3. Stenciling Storm Drains.

Objective: (State Objective) Present Conservation Information To Schools, Teachers, Homeowner Groups, And The General Public.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives:

1. L.A. County Fair.
2. Soil Testing-Received Training.
3. Earth Day - Fairmont Park Worked With 200 Students.
4. Delivered Questionnaires To 221 Teachers.

Objective: (State Objective) Assist With Irrigation Water Management With Outreach To The Community; Such As The Protector Del Agua Program.

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives:

1. Received Training And Began Assisting In Protector Del Agua Workshops.
2. Indian Hills Golf Course Assistance.
3. Worked With Sherman High School, A Native American School With Landscape Irrigation.

PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

1. Field Orientation & Training in IWM, Water Quality, Stream Restoration, Surveying, Soils, Computer Programs Including Microsoft Word & The Field Office Computing System.

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

3. Other Accomplishments:

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

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.

- 1) RCD Has Dos; NRCS Has Unix
- 2) T-Shirts
- 3) More Training In Computer

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED?

NO

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

NONE

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.

1. Dos Machine With Windows And Latest Versions Of Word.

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.

1. Soils Training
2. Map- Reading
3. Working With Landscape Architect On City Park Interpreting Center.

Weaverills

AMERICORPS
_____4th_ QUARTER REPORT

SITE INFORMATION

Operating Site name Weaverville _____

State: CA _____

Site ID # _____

Your Name : Scott Eberly _____

Your Position: Cluster Leader _____

Telephone Number: 916-623-2009 _____

Fax Number: 916-623-2353 _____

e-mail address
(if available) ca1359!eberly _____

Date report completed 9-18-95 _____

Reporting Period: 4th quarter 1995 _____

Program Start-up Date 5/95 _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

FULL-TIME MEMBER INFORMATION

Number of Members authorized for your site:	
Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	7
Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter:	7
Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	7
Number of Members at beginning of quarter:	5
Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	5
Total Hours of Direct Service for previous Quarter:	
Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	
Total Hours of Direct Service for this Quarter:	1,870
Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	1,870
Total Hours of Direct Service to Date:	2,190
Environmental Corps Members:	
Rural Development Corps Members:	2,190

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: _____

VOLUNTEER ASSESSMENT

Non-AmeriCorps Member Volunteers

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

Total hours of AmeriCorps service activities: N/A____
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 1 _____
this quarter.

Total to date: 1 _____

Number of Members who have gained employment thru 1 _____
their AmeriCorps Service

MEMBER ASSESSMENT
as of end of this quarter

TOTAL AUTHORIZED POSITIONS: 7 TOTAL EMPLOYED: 7

TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS POSITIONS FILLED

TOTAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS POSITIONS FILLED 7

DEMOGRAPHICS OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS

Box 1 - Gender

Number of Males	<u>2</u>
Number of Females	<u>5</u>
TOTAL	<u>7</u>

Box 2 - Race

Number of Caucasians	<u>5</u>
Number of African Americans	<u>0</u>
Number of Native Americans	<u>0</u>
Number of Hispanics	<u>2</u>
Number of Asian American/Pacific Islander	<u>0</u>
Other	<u> </u>
TOTAL	<u>7</u>

BOX 3 - EDUCATION

Number w/out High School Diploma or GED	<u> </u>
Number with High School or GED	<u> </u>
Number with some college	<u> </u>
Number with college degree	<u>5</u>
Number with Graduate degree	<u>1</u>
Number w/Professional or Trade School	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	<u>7</u>

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

BOX 4- OTHER

Number receiving Health Insurance from NRCS	<u>6</u>
Number receiving Child Care through Americorps	<u>0</u>
Number of children	<u> </u>
Number w/Disabilities	<u>1</u>

BUDGET INFORMATION

Federal dollars spent on AmeriCorps (Local Level Only)	
Project Manager completes this section	
Per cent of your time spent on AmeriCorps	40%
Approximate dollar amount	\$25,000
Cost for any other Federal employee spending time on AmeriCorps	N/A
Travel costs for Members & Managers	
Training costs	?
Supplies	?
Uniform costs	None
Program costs (Please explain what these costs were.)	?

Partner dollars spent on AmeriCorps	
Supplies	\$400 est
Travel	0
Training	0
Program Costs	0
Other	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	_____
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
(complete this sheet for each objective)

Objective: (state objective)

Progress towards meeting this community service objectives

PRIMARY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

Because members serve in semi-professional jobs in partner offices, they have opportunity to build and develop career capacity skills and contacts. All members work with career professionals in their field(s).

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

Service has been provided to and through the following local partners: Shasta Resource Conservation District, Trinity Resource Conservation District, Humboldt Resource Conservation District, Southern Trinity CERT, Humboldt County Planning Office, Six Rivers National Forest, the Bureau of Land Management, and the Hoopa Valley Tribal Fisheries Department.

Community projects funded through the NRCS Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) were completed in Shasta and Humboldt Counties.

Outreach for community programs in very remote and rural southern Trinity County are being provided by a member working jointly out of three local community program offices.

3. Other Accomplishments:

Technical assistance has been provided to the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation to design, contract, and construct fish screens on water diversions on the Trinity River. A tribal water budget is also being prepared. This assistance will help the Tribe use water resources more efficiently and will help the effort to increase salmon runs in the Trinity and Klamath River systems. Both are priority tribal concerns.

Two members are assisting watershed analysis and restoration efforts by completing technical watershed inventory assessments in Shasta and Trinity Counties, and by developing a GIS computer system for environmental analysis.

One member is implementing a project with Humboldt County as the local partner, to complete an agricultural land mapping project for the county. This project will benefit the long term planning for agricultural production and help to document the existing resource base.

4. Unique Successes or "Great Stories":

A member has successfully completed the responsibility of serving as the 1995 Eel River Squawfish Derby Coordinator. The Coordinator works with local sponsors to generate interest by youth and adults in fishing for squawfish in the Eel River. Squawfish are aggressive predators that have helped to deplete populations of salmon in the Eel River. Squawfish were accidentally introduced into the river, and as such are not native predators. The Squawfish Derby gets young and old alike interested in this fishing related outdoor education opportunity, that provides prizes for those that participate. The program also generates interest in resource issues involving salmon and the Eel River. This project is co-sponsored by the Humboldt Redwoods State Park, the Humboldt County Resource Conservation District, and numerous local businesses.

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 consisely. Be candid.

This cluster did not receive any Americorps identity materials or uniforms.

HAS THE PROBLEM BEEN RESOLVED? No.

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

Borrowed some identity materials from a non USDA cluster.
Notified state office program managers of lack of materials.

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

Provide enough identity materials and uniforms for each member, before service starts. Keep enough supply on hand at the regional and/or state level so that ordering is not a problem.

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.

Backup support and travel costs associated with regular cluster meetings and training.

AMERICORPS/USDA QUARTERLY REPORT
Jefferson National Forest
Appalachia Rural Development Program
Virginia

First Quarter Report

A) Number of Members enrolled at end of quarter vs. number who enrolled at the time of launch:

4/3

B) Total numbers of hours of direct service performed by Members and total number of hours Members were in training:

Total # hours of direct service 959

Total # hours of training 239 total Hours Service + training 1198

C) Any major staff or structural changes you have made:

Changed Administration of program from Public Relations to Human Resources coordinator of Jefferson National Forest.

D) Progress towards meeting community service objectives:

The enrollees have "hit the streets (By ways) of rural America meeting people, gathering information, building their programs, instructing, educating and developing Americans on how to do and be better.

E) Primary accomplishments:

Developing video programing showing natural resources on the National Forest, State and private lands for use to promote recreation, resources and tourism in the region. Contacted all Fire Departments on Dry Hydrant program (drafting hydrants at ponds). Three departments wrote grants for implementation of this program.

F) Primary challenges:

1. Supervising and assisting enrollees that are great distances away.
2. Building the program on short notice, before the the policy and rules are established.

G) Primary training and technical assistance need:

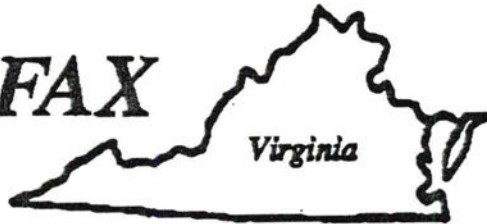
Media savvy, public relations (ability to talk to all public), personnel safety and general safety.

H) Media Coverage:

Articles in local newspaper and local radio/tv spots announcing program.

I) Other Creative Documentation:

Developed a regional Resource Conservation and Development update newsletter that is being sent to contacts to keep people and businesses informed and interested in the program and events taking place.

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Here is Ameri Corps report
per request. Hard copy
with clippings mailed to
your office.

Pat Paul

AmeriCorps Quarterly Report - December 15, 1994
Cluster: Old Dominion RC&D, Keysville, VA

- A. Number of members enrolled:
4 at end of quarter / 2 at beginning of quarter
- B. Total number hours of direct service and training:
Direct Service - 832 Training - 198
- C. Major staff/structural changes: hired two AmeriCorps members:
1) Natalie Clevinger (GIS Coordinator)
2) Leeanne Cruse (Forestry Marketing Specialist)
- D. Progress towards meeting community service objectives:

GIS Project:

Objective #1 - Meet with community officials

- *met with Northern Neck Planning District Commission
- *met with Gloucester County Planner

Objective #2 - Work with RC&D Council and other agencies

- *organized data and developed charts for Forestry Committee
- *80% complete with Dry Hydrant Inventory
- *developed Great Wicomico Watershed Map

Objective #3 - Create useful GIS for RC&D

- *assisted with installation of equipment
- *learned basic GRASS System
- *developed outline for local User's Guide

Forestry Marketing Project:

Objective #1 - Develop Forestry Marketing Plan

- *data is being compiled
- *met with local industry to determine needs

Objective #2 - Organize two forestry information events

- *attended Forestry Education Task Force Meeting to begin planning process
- *attended organization meeting for Piankatank Forestry Meeting
- *organized two work days at school for students to plan gardens, obtained plants and materials

Landscape Architect

Objective #1 - Prepare site plan for one greenway trail

- *designed letterhead for committee stationary
- *began collecting data on trail designs from Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

Objective #2 - Master plan for Staunton River Battlefield Park)

- *several meetings with trustee advisory committee and partnerships involved
- *using personal home computer loading engineer survey files into system
- *began an inventory of the site
- *designed letterhead for trustee's stationery

Objective #3 - Auto pull-offs

- *will not begin until after February 1995

Additional services

- *providing landscape design services to City of South Boston for one city square courtyard and four neighborhood parks

Historian, Outdoor Recreation, Marketing Specialist**Objective #1 - (administer ISTE A grant concerning greenway trail)**

- *Began talking with attorneys to conduct legal search
- *Work halted due to court petition drawn by some adjoining landowners questioning railroad ownership of abandoned property

Objective #2 - (advisor to local steering committees)

- *Actively working with groups and their members
- *Assisted with one field trip to New River Trail for steering committee members
- *Helping with ISTE A grant application for January 1995

Objective #3 - (committee member on Virginia Retreat Consortium)

- *Meeting with committee
- *Tour is not planned until Spring of 1995

Objective #4 (historic research)

- *Reviewed taped radio transmission scripts
- *Recruited a Master's History Major candidate to assist
- *Conducting search for artifacts to use in visitors center

E. Primary accomplishments:

- *First quarter has been an adjustment period of AmeriCorps learning their roles, making necessary contacts with local steering committees, and being brought up to speed on existing projects. Both have been well received by the standing committees. These two participants have also adjusted well into accepting the roles they have been thrust into. Their presence and work has insured consistency and progress toward implementing the projects they are assigned.
- *Two AmeriCorps members recruited and hired
- *Orientation provided for both by RC&D staff
- *Cluster meetings were organized and attended
- *Computer equipment was obtained and installed

- *Both AmeriCorps members have met with the RC&D Council, Resource Committees, and local officials to initiate their projects
- *Organized school work days to plant garden
- *Inventoried existing and needed hydrants

F. Primary Challenges

- *Short notification of AmeriCorps approval and hiring authority made for a poor transition for the expanded role RC&D has in these projects. Lack of equipment, office space, specific funding allocations, and the haggling of liability/tort coverage impeded their initial efforts. AmeriCorps participants have had to allow time to prove themselves and gain acceptance by previously involved partnership members. Supervision time requirements to assist even rural development AmeriCorps participants have been greater than expected.
- *Obtaining adequate computer equipment to support the GIS system and other office requirements.
- *AmeriCorps participants are relying on use of their personal home computers without any reimbursement

G. Primary Training Needs and Technical Assistance

- *Dealing with steering committees composed of private citizens, agency personnel, and private industry.
- *Recruit and incorporate new partners from the public and private sector
- *Majority of the training is one-the-job, provided by professionals in the field. The GIS specialist has provided two days of training plus support via telephone. GIS participant attended presentation on GIS-Grass in Richmond at the state office and in Williamsburg.
- *The Forestry AmeriCorps participant is receiving training from area and regional forester and from RC&D Coordinator
- *Cluster meetings included training in Cultural Diversity and Sensitivity, Communications and Negotiation, and practical experience in organizing meetings.

H. Media Coverage

- *Separate articles about each of the two new AmeriCorps participants was sent to all eight local newspapers; Copies of the printed articles are attached.

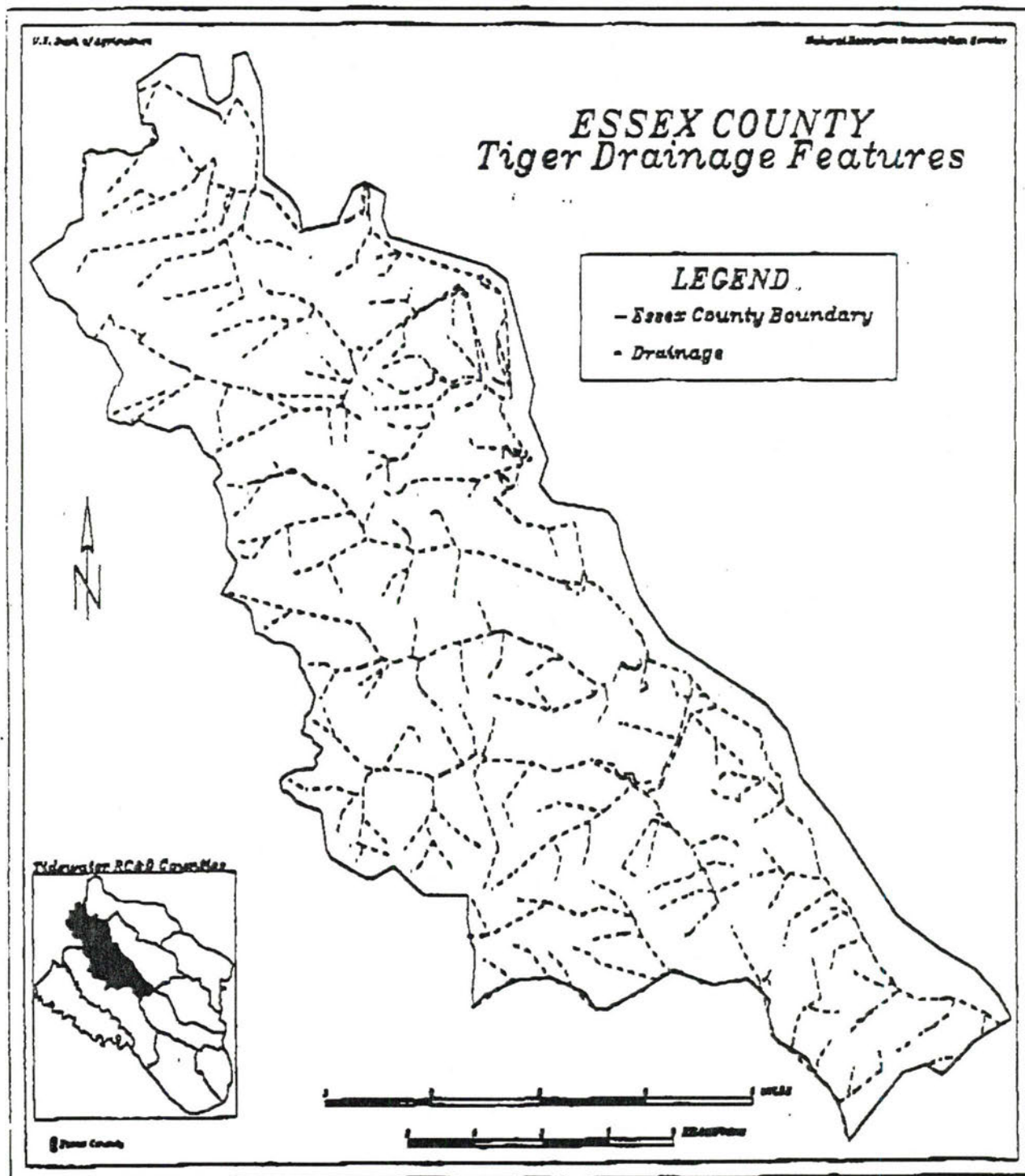
I. Recommendations to improve program

- *Provide more lead time for reports
- *Supply accurate information prior to hiring concerning education loan payoff, liability, child care, and health benefits
- *Lengthen time period between position approval and hiring

- *Provide specific AmeriCorps budget dollars allocated to the agency administering the program
- *Continue encouraging freedom of ideas for project submission and allowance of ingenuity in developing objectives
- *Recognize participants are only one year hires
- *Considerable time is already consumed in supervision and on job training, so less emphasis should be placed on training plans, cluster meetings, etc., that reduces participant time in gaining active work experience

J. Creative Documentation

- *See attached map that was generated on the GIS



AmeriCorps - USDA Quarterly Report
New River-Highlands RC&D

- A: 2 members enrolled at end of quarter for NRCS
2 members enrolled at beginning
- B: Direct service - 813 hours
Training - 227 hours
- C: No staff or structural changes
- D: Progress Toward Meeting Community Objectives
(See attached report from members)

Members are working on their objectives. A large amount of time has been devoted to learning about RC&D and the local committees that the members will be working with.

The group project is going well. Meetings with school officials have been very productive. An outline of the teacher's aids have been developed. The plants on the outdoor lab have been identified and descriptions prepared. Everything is on schedule.

- E: Primary accomplishments - see reports
- F: Primary challenges

Getting computer equipment up and running has been slow.

Training in working with grassroots organization has required more time than originally estimated.

It has been a challenge for the members to learn how government agencies and offices work.

- G: Primary training and Technical assistance needed

Computer training - Unix and DOS systems

- H: Media coverage

Will prepare clipping of news articles for next report

Held a press conference (Kick-off Ceremony) - Press covered the event

Several articles in local papers

Gary Boring
RC&D Coordinator

**CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
Operating Site Quarterly Report**

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The biggest challenge for everyone working for RECD, including Paula Bailey, is maintaining an enthusiastic feeling for the programs while dealing with the unknowns of reorganization and funding cuts. It's difficult to conduct

an aggressive outreach program when one does not know where or if one will be working and if there will be funds available by the time a loan is finally approved. Since some funding may now be available, hopefully this will not be a problem in the third quarter. One other problem is an overload of work. Several people in the office go to other offices to work at least two (2) days of the week, which can sometimes cause unnecessary delays for the borrowers and applicants.

Changes in Program Organization during this Quarter.

No major changes have been made. Some of the housing work has been given to Paula Bailey: mailing application packages, helping people fill out the application, assisting in the preparation of documents for loan approval and closing and construction contracts, conducting applicant interviews, and filing completed forms in applicants' dockets.

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PRESTONBURG, KY

COUNTIES: FLOYD, PIKE, MARTIN, JOHNSON AND MAGOFFIN

2. MATTHEW HALL

LOCATION: KENTUCKY
HAZARD,

COUNTIES: LEE, WCL MATTHEW HALL WAS UNABLE TO SUBMIT HIS REPORT
LETCHEF AS OF THIS DATE. DID NOT WANT TO HOLD THESE
BACK ANY LONGER. WE WILL SEND IT AS SOON AS
WE RECEIVE IT.

3. MICHELE HUMFLEET

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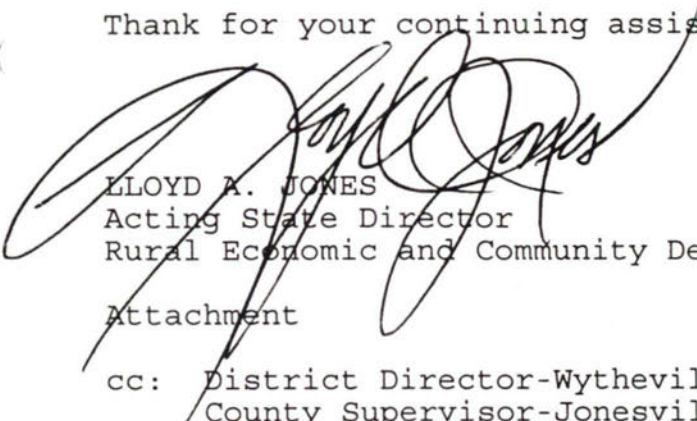
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If we can provide additional information, please call.

Thank for your continuing assistance with the AmeriCorps program.



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