PROGRAM OF ACTION

UPPER WILLAMETTE
Resource Conservation & Development Area

1977-1978
RC&D AREA - MAP

FOREWORD

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The Upper Willamette Resource Conservation & Development Area was one of the first ten in the Nation. In 1964, the local sponsors with assistance from federal, state and local agencies, groups and individuals prepared an evaluation of problems and needs. The Secretary of Agriculture approved the RC&D Area Plan in March 1964, and for the last ten years the RC&D Area Sponsors have been coordinating natural resource development.

Objectives are broad and varied. To make the area a better place in which to live, work and play, the major goals are to:

1. Reduce damages from annual flooding by development of water disposal systems and land use zoning of the flood plain.

2. Intensify the cropping systems on agricultural lands through higher levels of management and use of high value crops following an intensive program of flood prevention, drainage, irrigation, market analysis and research; divert marginal croplands to more suitable uses.

3. Develop the forest resources to a sustained yield basis on commercial woodlands in federal, state and private ownership by improved timber management, development of new wood products, improved processing facilities and expanding market outlets to provide labor opportunities and to further stabilize the economy.

4. Increase the quantity and improve the quality of recreational facilities to meet local and tourists' demands through coordination and development of private and public facilities.

5. Provide local governments with basic resource data and methods of utilizing such information in relation to Comprehensive Land Use Planning and development.

6. Enhance and protect the visual qualities of the physical environment.

7. Improve the economic opportunities of the area by developing new job opportunities and increasing income from farms, timber, recreation and industry.

To attain these goals the Sponsors have obtained the help of many local leaders and are also assisted by employees of federal, state and county agencies.

The RC&D Area has been amended three times to encompass more area with similar problems and to coincide with Administrative Districts 4 and 5 established for the State of Oregon--the counties of Benton, Lane, Lincoln and Linn.
UPPER WILLAMETTE RC&D AREA

ORGANIZATION & OPERATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
President Secretary
Vice Pres. Treasurer
3 members at large
(RC&D Coordinator ex officio)

RC&D AREA SPONSORS
Soil & Water Conservation Districts
Benton Linn-Lane
East Linn North Lane
Lincoln Siuslaw
Upper Willamette

County Governments
Benton Lincoln
Lane Linn

RESOURCE COMMITTEES
Agriculture & Water
Community Planning & Development
Fish & Wildlife
Recreation
Woodland

ORIGIN OF PROJECTS
RC&D Area Plan
Area Plan Amendments
RC&D Area Sponsors
Resource Committees
Agencies
Local Interest Groups
Individuals

AGENCIES
1. RC&D Staff
2. Cooperating Agencies
3. Councils of Government
Coordination, technical assistance, cost-sharing, grants, loans
ORGANIZATION & OPERATION SUMMARY

RC&D AREA SPONSORS
The RC&D Area Sponsors are the following Soil and Water Conservation Districts*: Benton, East Linn, Lincoln, Linn Lane, North Lane, Siuslaw and Upper Willamette; and the county governments of Benton, Lane, Lincoln and Linn.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
The Executive Committee consists of the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and three members at large. The group meets with the RC&D coordinator, RC&D engineer, community development agent, utilization & marketing forester and others as the need arises in the period between the quarterly meetings to give guidance, direction and coordination in the development of the RC&D Area Plan and goals. 1/

RESOURCE COMMITTEES
There are five Resource Committees--Agriculture & Water, Community Planning & Development, Fish & Wildlife, Recreation and Woodland. The Chairman of each committee is appointed by the RC&D president and assisted by an executive secretary assigned to aid in the work. Representatives from each of the Sponsors are assigned to each of the committees and technical assistance is provided by representatives of various agencies appointed to the committees. The committees may also include as many interested community leaders as the members feel are needed to adequately fulfill the goals. The Resource Committees establish Long Range Goals and plan Annual Objectives; these include priorities, possible ways of attaining goals, and determining the agency or local people who will do the work.

RC&D COORDINATOR
The RC&D Coordinator is a staff officer assigned by the Soil Conservation Service to work full time with the RC&D Area Sponsors and the cooperating local, state and federal agencies in carrying out the authorized Area Plan. The U.S. Dept. of Agriculture has designated the Soil Conservation Service to administer the federal part of the program.

AGENCIES
Approximately 40 federal, state, county and local agencies have designated representatives to assist in the coordination, technical assistance, cost sharing, grants and loans necessary for the completion of RC&D measures.

COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT
The established Councils of Government in the area are Oregon District 4 COG (Benton, Lincoln, Linn counties) and the Lane COG. A primary role is to review requests for federal assistance to determine if they are consistent with regional plans.

1/ The Constitution & Bylaws in the 1974 Program of Action are being revised. *Soil & Water Conservation Districts are legal subdivisions of state government organized by local landowners to promote conservation and natural resource development. The State Soil & Water Conservation Commission is appointed by the Governor and supervises the organization and operation of the SWCD's throughout the state.
AGENCY ASSISTANCE

The Upper Willamette RC&D Project is assisted by representatives from:

**U. S. Department of Agriculture**
- Agricultural Research Service
- Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service
- Cooperative Extension Service
- Economic Research Service
- Farmers Home Administration
- Rural Electrification Admin.

**U. S. Department of the Army**
- Corps of Engineers

**U. S. Department of Commerce**
- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- National Weather Service

**U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development**

**U. S. Department of the Interior**
- Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife
- Bureau of Land Management
- Geological Survey

**Small Business Administration**

**STATE OF OREGON**

Department of:
- Agriculture
- Economic Development
- Energy
- Environmental Quality
- Fish and Wildlife
- Forestry
- Land Conservation & Development

Transportation
- Highway Division
- Parks & Recreation
- Willamette River Greenway
- Water Resources
- Willamette Basin Project Committee
- Executive Department
- Intergovernmental Relations Div.

Office of the Governor
- Oregon State University
- University of Oregon

Lane Council of Governments
- Oregon Dist. 4 Council of Govts.

Many county departments in Benton, Lane, Lincoln and Linn counties, as well as city planning commissions, city councils, etc.
The Upper Willamette RC&D Area Plan is the comprehensive proposal developed by the RC&D sponsors for accelerating conservation, development, improvement and utilization of the resources of the RC&D Area.

RC&D measures are specific actions needed and proposed by local interest groups or individuals for the systematic development and use of soil, water, plant, recreational and human resources to bring about improved economic and social conditions for the area. RC&D financial and technical assistance may be provided to sponsors in carrying out eligible RC&D measures having community benefits, such as:

1. Critical area treatment (erosion and sediment control);
2. Flood prevention:  
   a. Structures  
   b. Land stabilization;
3. Public water-based recreation developments;
4. Public water-based fish and wildlife developments;
5. Farm irrigation;
6. Land drainage;
7. Soil and water management for agricultural-related pollutant control, and
8. Accelerated services.

Assistance may also include present on-going local, state and federal programs related to resource conservation and development.

RC&D measures, suggested or specifically listed in the RC&D Area Plan and its amendments, may be brought to the RC&D sponsors by local interest groups or individuals. Other measures may be initiated by the RC&D sponsors, resource committees, agencies, Councils of Government, local groups and individuals. Approval for these proposals is given by the RC&D sponsors at their regular quarterly meetings.

Annually, long range goals are evaluated by the five resource committees --Agriculture & Water, Community Planning & Development, Fish & Wildlife, Recreation and Woodland. They meet separately to determine the goals and priorities in their specific field of interest, and these annual objectives are listed in the yearly "Program of Action."
A few of the objectives or Sponsor approved projects are listed below.
Some are under construction or installation with RC&D grant funds, others
are at various stages of planning and design with RC&D technical assist-
ance, and a number are budgeted by various cooperating agencies. All re-
fect the goals of the RC&D Resource Committees.

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<th>Project Description</th>
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<td>A contract was awarded to plant 60 acres of dune area near Florence. Not enough rain to complete planting winter of 76-77; will resume winter of 77-78.</td>
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<td>Siuslaw SWCD</td>
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<td>Periwinkle Creek Flood Prevention</td>
<td>Channel improvement from Albany city limits to Fry Road. Will be completed this year.</td>
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<td>East Linn SWCD</td>
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<td>Marcola Flood Prevention</td>
<td>Request for flood reduction in a 59 acre residential community of Marcola, 15 miles NE of Springfield. Low bid has been accepted and work will be completed this year.</td>
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<td>South Beach Marina</td>
<td>Relocation of recreational uses from the north side of Yaquina Bay at Newport to the South Beach area next to the Marine Science Center has been requested by the Port of Newport. Measure Plan has been completed. The Corps of Engineers expects to complete the breakwater and dredging this year.</td>
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<td>Lincoln SWCD</td>
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<td>Lowell Drainage</td>
<td>A request has been received for technical and financial assistance to drain the high school athletic field and to prevent flooding of adjacent properties. Measure Plan in Portland for review.</td>
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<td>North Lake Creek</td>
<td>Request from the City of Tangent for technical and financial assistance on flood and drainage problems. Work on forming a legal entity and completing an engineering design.</td>
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<td>Heceta Flood</td>
<td>Request from City of Florence for assistance on flooding. Feasibility study underway.</td>
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<td>Upper Amazon Flood/Recreation</td>
<td>Request from City of Eugene for assistance on flooding in southeastern portion and possible greenway area. Feasibility evaluation completed; RC&amp;D Sponsors awaiting city's decision</td>
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Intake for millrace on the Willamette is inadequate and city is also interested in possible recreational development. Feasibility evaluation presented; RC&D Sponsors awaiting decision by city officials.

Proposal received from City of Corvallis to assist in improving this boat basin. Feasibility study scheduled.

Local people requested an evaluation on pumping water from the Long Tom River and irrigating some land north of Monroe. Evaluation completed and RC&D awaiting decision by local people.

RC&D coordinated a group plan involving lands of USFS, BLM, Willamette Industries, Georgia-Pacific, and a number of private ownerships on the Fall Creek watershed, a tributary of the Alsea River. Continue to coordinate the annual review meetings and a tour of the plan area scheduled for September.

A request was approved by the RC&D Sponsors to support the development of a boat ramp on Mercer Lake. Funding has been obtained by Lane County to construct this summer.

A request was approved to support the acquisition of this unique area by the U. S. Forest Service. Negotiations are underway with the owner by USFS.

The Santiam Water Control District asked for assistance on plantings, etc. The RC&D Community Development Specialist is assisting the Districts with a river management plan.

Lane County requested flood plain information studies on the McKenzie River, Lake Creek and Long Tom River. The Soil Conservation Service has an $80,000 study underway on the McKenzie River request.

Request for assistance to set up a cooperative roadside soil stabilization project in the Fall Creek watershed. Measure Plan underway.
Technical and financial assistance is needed to develop plans and provide funds for fish passage facilities at the falls on Fall Creek and a low water barrier at the hatchery on this Alsea tributary. Dept. of Fish & Wildlife is preparing a preliminary engineering design.

Flooding is caused by an inadequate, brush-choked channel; the sluffing and eroding banks are causing siltation in Little Muddy Creek north of Priceboro Road. Engineering is complete. Measure plan is being prepared at the request of the Little Muddy Water Control District.

Request by the city for assistance in determination of a master plan for drainage for the city.

There is a need to design and implement a water management system in the Upper Willamette Valley. Funding has been requested from SCS by RC&D Agriculture & Water Committee.

Planting of European beach grass on 60 acres of eroding sand dunes near Florence will be completed this winter. The planting which began in February 1976 was halted by the "dry" winter of 1976-77. RC&D is cost-sharing 75%- $53,775. The first plantings (shown in the photo) will protect the water main of the City of Florence.
GOALS (Long Range)

1. Develop programs designed to improve the watershed conditions and provide clean water for beneficial uses.

2. Plan toward intensification of agricultural land use through improvements in irrigation, water storage, drainage and flood prevention.

3. Support zoning of agricultural land to protect the scale and efficiency of food and fibre production.

4. Seek new crops and market outlets to make more profitable use of our improved land resources.

5. Continue support of field studies using industrial waste water for irrigation, and trials of alternate crops.

6. Promote farm practices that minimize air and water pollution.

7. Encourage management of estuary and tideland food resources.

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1. Give top priority to the development of a comprehensive water management plan for the Upper Willamette Basin - such plan to provide for the following concerns in relation to water:

   a. Water uses and priorities: Agricultural Navigation
      Domestic Fish & Wildlife
      Industrial Habitat
      Hydroelectric Recreation
      Power

   b. Water Quality: Pollution Abatement, Drainage Systems

   c. Water Control (quantity): Reservoirs and flow control
      Riverbed management
      Gravel as a renewable resource

   d. Floodplain woodland management.
Implementation: a. Be on the alert for probable funding for such a project as a result of the possible disaster conditions being brought on by the current winter drought.

b. Support request for technical assistance to develop a master drainage plan for Linn County and northern part of Lane County.

2. Support preservation of good agricultural lands through comprehensive planning and improvement of such land through soil fertility, water management, irrigation, drainage or flood control practices.

Implementation: a. Request OSU Extension Service to include in their tile drainage research investigations a study of the effects of subsoiling in connection with tiling as compared to tiling without subsoiling.

b. Work toward improved drainage outlets which will permit installation of underground drainage systems.

c. Continue to work for clarification of stipulations invoked in the purchase of Greenway properties with BOR funds. Recommend against such sales if the change of land use is from agricultural to more intensive land use.

d. Encourage the development of a method of land classification that will better define the total agricultural land goal needs under the LCDC program.

3. Encourage continued study of the application of digested sewage effluent and industrial wastes on agricultural lands. This should include protection of the land from buildup of pollutants along with satisfactory rates and methods of application.

Implementation: In the RC&D Newsletter, report on progress of Washington County Plan, OSU North Willamette Experiment Station Program and Teledyne Wah Chang Albany Research Project.

4. Support Lincoln County Coastal Farmers' Cooperative in utilization of crab and shrimp wastes for farm fertilizer.

Implementation: a. Request State ASC Committee examine recent studies by OSU Soil Department and the Sea Grant Program and, if shown, clear this material for use in the ASCS cost share program.
b. Contact the Lincoln Extension agent and prepare RC&D Newsletter progress report of Lincoln Co. Farmers' Cooperative Project.

5. On behalf of sheep producers and the Oregon livestock industry, continue support of predatory animal control programs felt necessary in the face of severe and repeated losses to the industry.

**Implementation:**

a. Letters will be sent to trappers and county governments recognizing and supporting ongoing programs.


6. Encourage completion of Linn County soil survey mapping without a reduction in mapping forces in other counties.

**Implementation:**

a. Encourage the county to continue the accelerated soil survey program to assist in the overall land use planning in Linn County.

b. Compliment Linn County Planning Department for their prompt application of each segment of the accelerated soil survey in updating the comprehensive county land use plan.

c. Request SCS participate in the National Program of identifying "prime agricultural land" and "unique farm land."

7. Work toward county by county review of Water Control and/or Improvement Districts - their purposes, formations, and operational obligations helpful to water improvement and irrigation projects.

**Implementation:**

a. Prepare news items for the RC&D Newsletter and area newspapers which would describe what existing Water Control Districts, such as Little Muddy, Junction City and Grand Prairie, Have accomplished.

b. Continue to support the pilot program of river management which is being carried out on the Santiam River under sponsorship of the Santiam Water Control Districts and the coordinated action of landowners, fifteen agencies of government and other users of the resource.

8. Support request by Lincoln County for SCS to complete the county soil survey to facilitate land use planning.
Implementation: Encourage Lincoln County to work with the Soil Conservation Service to develop realistic goals for completion of the county soil survey program.

HILDERBRAND PARK, ALBANY
In South Albany, Periwinkle Creek was a narrow, brush-choked stream with almost vertical banks. RC&D grant monies and local funds have been used to improve the channel, build bike paths, excavate two small lakes and furnish two parks for nearby residents with beautiful trees and shrubs along the creek to provide habitat for birds and small animals.

MARCOLA
Otto Lydy, George Davis, and chairman Arthur Moran of the Marcola Water District participated in the groundbreaking ceremonies in this small community northeast of Eugene and Springfield in Lane Co. RC&D grant funds will be used to alleviate a long-standing problem of flooding.
COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

CHAS. HECHT, Chairman

Planning Meeting:

Charles Hecht Scio Chairman
Jack Wood RC&D/CES - Eugene/Albany Exec. Secretary
Jim Fuller Soil Conservation Service Corvallis
Sue Corwin Women for Agriculture Eugene
Ted Dietz North Lane SWCD Junction City
Otto Leever East Linn SWCD Scio
Tom Kerr Upper Willamette SWCD RC&D pres., Lowell
Kathy Keene LCDC Coordinator - Lane County
Marvin Gloege LCDC Coordinator - Benton, Lincoln, Linn counties

POLICY

Discourage new development outside of urban growth boundaries on Class I, II, III and IV lands.

Encourage studies, information and education programs with regard to more effective utilization of water resources for inclusion in community and county comprehensive planning.

Encourage community economic development studies in the RC&D Area program planning.

GOALS (Long Range)

1. Assist local governments and rural communities in utilizing natural resource data and related information in development of comprehensive plans.

2. Encourage the development of school curriculum materials that promote increased understanding of local land use policies.

3. Encourage development of industries that are compatible with our basic resources of agriculture, timber and recreation.

4. Assist communities or incorporated entities with identifying public works projects for possible technical assistance and/or public funding.

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1. Continue contacts with school districts toward developing teacher training in land use, and in providing planning information.

   Implementation: Continue and expand teacher-training opportunities in land use planning for the RC&D Area in cooperation with the Planning Departments, LCDC coordinators, IED's, Oregon Dept. of Education and Lane Outdoor Education Council.

2. Continue to provide land and water information and educational programs for community planning agencies and citizen groups.
Implementation: a. Improve availability of water resource information for use by planning agencies. Jack Wood will assist in assembling publications and studies of water resources for the RC&D Area.

b. Implement request from Lincoln County for soils survey work and educational material or workshops useful to the citizen advisory committees.

3. Contact town and city officials to determine possible RC&D projects within their jurisdiction.

Implementation: Jack Wood will arrange meetings of councilmen for review of RC&D program possibilities.

County and city officials, urban planners and their staff, city and county engineers, county appraisers, planning commissioners and others were invited to Soils Workshops in Corvallis and Eugene. They reviewed basic resource information that had been provided many cities within the RC&D Area, including the use of soils, soil maps and soil interpretations in land use planning, zoning, street layout and planning for urban expansion.
GOALS (Long Range)

1. Encourage and support measures and efforts which protect and enhance fish and wildlife habitat.

2. Encourage and support measures and efforts that contribute to the wise use of fish and wildlife resources.

3. Inform the public of the esthetic, recreational, and economic values that fish and wildlife have in everyday living.

4. Encourage and support hunting and fishing developments which enhance the wildlife resources and increase the recreational use in contrast to those which restrict the resource for private use.

5. Support inclusion of sound resource management courses in the curriculum of public schools in the State of Oregon.

6. Work toward better landowner-sportsmen relationships.

7. Encourage and support the inclusion of public access in federally funded water-related projects.

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1. Encourage the development and/or improvement of boat launch sites on major streams.

Implementation: a. Urge the reconstruction of the boat launch ramp at Armitage State Park on the McKenzie River.

b. The Dept. of Fish & Wildlife will continue to seek funds for issuing a Lane County River Access Map with the possibility of resubmitting the request to the RC&D Sponsors and Soil Conservation Service.

c. Prepare a feasibility report on funding extension of the public pier at Westlake, Siltcoos Lake and submit to possible funding agencies for their consideration.
2. Continue support of Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife and other agencies in habitat improvement programs.

   b. Support cooperative seeding and fertilization of big game winter range, etc.

3. Revise and publish film list for information and education in wildlife and related subjects.

   Implementation:  Bob Jubber will update the 1971 "Fish & Wildlife" booklet listing films and slides available from various agencies and RC&D will print the information for distribution.

4. Coordinate between various committees to avoid duplication and conflicting objectives.

   Implementation:  Circulate the Committee goals and objectives and Committee meeting minutes to all Resource Committee chairmen as well as the RC&D Board of Directors.

5. Support development of a methodology which would assist all levels of local government to better address LCDC's requirements regarding fish and wildlife habitat when developing comprehensive land use plans.

   Implementation:  Steve Gordon, L-COG, will keep the Committee informed on progress.

6. Encourage public support of Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife and other agencies' law enforcement programs.

   Implementation:  Report on programs through the RC&D Newsletter.

7. Support the practice of seeding exposed soil areas such as road cuts and fills to control erosion and prevent siltation.

   Implementation:  a. Through the RC&D Newsletter provide information and education to point out benefits of incorporating this as a general practice.
   b. Contact various county road/transportation departments to point out specific sites needing treatment.
GOALS (Long Range)

1. Strive for improvement of the quantity and quality of recreational facilities on public and private lands of the area. Seek and promote increased opportunities through total resource development for recreational enjoyment on public and private lands of the RO&D Area.

2. Support and promote legislation that will enhance recreational management and opportunities on public and private lands. Urge the establishment of priorities in the management of public lands for recreational use before acquiring land that is in private ownership.

3. Coordinate and make available technical information on recreational needs to planning groups and others in long range planning on public and private lands and waters.

4. Seek means to identify, control, and educate the public concerning pollution and acts of vandalism which seriously affect recreational opportunities on public and private lands and waters.

5. Support and promote the recreational aspects of the multiple use concept of public lands.

6. Support emphasis on recreational planning in Oregon to accommodate the physically and visually handicapped.

7. Encourage planners and park people to recognize flood zone, shrink-swell conditions, aquifer areas, steep slopes and other natural conditions which may affect land use, and utilize such areas as potential open space or recreational lands wherever possible.

8. Support the state and local historic and recreational trail program.

9. Begin studies on interests of special recreation groups, specifically off-road vehicles.

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1. Continue to actively participate in the review of the plan for the development and management of the Willamette River Greenway, and encourage and urge greater local public input into the Greenway Plan.
Implementation:  

a. Encourage the State Department of Transportation to better inform residents along the Willamette River of the status of the Greenway.

b. Participate in local Willamette Greenway public meetings.

2. Encourage public agencies to help private recreation with technical assistance and methods of financing. Encourage more research and information by the Oregon Parks & Recreation Branch on the feasibility of privately operated parks, and the possibility of more private concessionaires operating the facilities in the State Parks in Oregon.

Implementation:  

a. Hold a meeting, possibly in late fall, to encourage and assist private recreation developments.

b. Urge that the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan include review of the feasibility and evaluation of private recreational development.

3. Support the Fish & Wildlife Committee in their goal to encourage the development and improvement of boat launch sites on major fishing streams where access is now limited.

Implementation:  

a. Assist in the development of stream access location maps.

b. Inform the public of possible sources of funding for boat launch installation.

c. Assist the Fish & Wildlife Committee in encouraging development of stream access.

4. Encourage greater use of private property for recreational purposes by working toward limiting the liability of private landowners.

Implementation:  Review existing liability laws and urge clarification and revision where necessary through the State Legislature.

5. Inform the general public of the availability of RC&D funds for the development of public water-based recreation and public water-based fish and wildlife developments.

Implementation:  

a. Distribute RC&D informational brochure and include details in quarterly RC&D Newsletter.

b. Inform state and county agencies of possible RC&D funding opportunities.
6. Encourage additional recreational and fish and wildlife opportunities.

**Implementation:**

- b. Assist Benton County in acquiring additional access along the Alsea River.
- c. Encourage the use of volunteer groups in helping develop recreational facilities such as trails and access points through contact with the State Parks & Recreation Branch for possible sites.

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**SOUTH BEACH MARINA, NEWPORT**

This is a Weyerhaeuser Corp. artist’s sketch of development plans for the south shore of Yaquina Bay.

In the lower right-hand corner is the Marine Science Center and State Dept. of Fish & Wildlife facility. West is Oregon Aqua Foods’ current and future salmon rearing operations recently purchased by Weyerhaeuser.

- Immediately west of it is the location of a proposed convention center, and between the bridge and convention center is the site of the South Beach Marina being built for the Port of Newport by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Soil Conservation Service. The sports boating marina is being built with Corps funding, RC&D grant monies, and a Farmers Home Administration loan.
Planning Meeting:

- Ed Wemple
- Sam Frear
- Doug Cruickshank
- Sam Doran
- Eunice Endicott
- Joe Stancar
- Bob Hohenhaus
- Jack Desmond
- Jim Austin
- Jim Brown
- Ray Craig
- Tom Horton
- Sam Konnie

Hoedads
USFS--Willamette National
RC&D/OSFD U&M forester
Bureau of Land Management
Women for Agriculture
Industrial Forestry Assn.
North Lane SWCD
Lane Audubon Society
OSFD - East Lane FPA
State Forestry Dept.
State Forestry Dept.
Linn Co. Planning Dept.
Swanson Bros. Lbr.
Cottage Grove
Eugene
Springfield
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Springfield
Salem
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Albany
Noti - chairman

POlICY

Develop the forest resources to a sustained yield basis on commercial woodlands by improved timber management, utilization and marketing to provide additional labor opportunities and to further stabilize the economy.

I. LONG RANGE GOAL: ACCELERATE MANAGEMENT ON ALL FOREST AND WOODLAND BY PROVIDING LANDOWNERS WITH EDUCATIONAL, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ADVICE OR ASSISTANCE.

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1. Coordinate efforts to contact private woodland owners to make them aware of the opportunities of woodland management.

Implementation: a. Encourage the services of consulting foresters and other technical assistance when applicable.

b. Extension Service and Oregon State Forestry Dept. develop a mailer to reach small woodland owners to interest them in a management plan.

2. When not available from other sources, provide educational, financial and technical advice or assistance to private woodland owners.


b. Complete 8 to 10 management plans identified in 1976.

3. Revise and develop publications beneficial to the woodland owners as needed and funds are available.
Implementation: Prepare for distribution one-page handout on various services.

4. Disseminate forest management information through news items and the RC&D Newsletter.

Implementation: Coordinate with the Soil Conservation Service, Extension Service and Industrial Forestry Assn.

5. Coordinate efforts to get forest land back into production.

Implementation: a. Identify and catalog non-productive forest lands needing silvicultural treatment to return them to full forest production.

b. Monitor the public funded programs that are being proposed at the state and federal levels and, as funds and/or manpower become available, through available communication channels coordinate agencies' efforts with the landowners needing help.

6. Review proposed legislation affecting the state forestry program.

Implementation: Oregon State Forestry Dept. will keep RC&D Sponsors and the Woodland Committee informed.

7. Coordinate availability of tree planting stock.


b. In times of critical seeding supply, help small woodland owners obtain their fair share by coordinating existing supplies with tree farmer needs.

II. LONG RANGE GOAL: IMPROVE THE UTILIZATION AND MARKETING OF FOREST PRODUCTS.

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A. Improve utilization--

1. Improve cutting practices to increase volume in woods.

b. Compile field test data and distribute results to interested landowners by publications and field demonstrations.

2. Improve manufacturing techniques in existing mill facilities to reduce waste and increase utilization of existing wood supply.

Implementation: a. Cooperate with the U.S. Forest Service and other organizations to conduct studies of existing manufacturing facilities to improve the output, quantity and quality.

b. Compile field test data and distribute results to interested manufacturers by publications and on-site demonstrations.

B. Improve marketing--

Promote additional markets to utilize materials not now saleable that can be harvested from forest land.

Implementation: 1. Hardwoods - Contact various research centers and assemble information for distribution to encourage utilization of hardwoods.


b. Encourage harvesting of precommercial thinning material for posts.

3. Firewood - Encourage forest landowners to make surplus wood available for firewood.

COORDINATED RESOURCE PLAN
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