



**Megan A. McGuinness, M.A., RPA
Owner/Archaeologist**

Summary Statement

Megan has been active in cultural resource management since 2017. Her experience includes conducting and leading cultural resource surveys, testing and recommending National Register eligibility, cultural resource monitoring, and excavation in compliance with Section 106, NEPA, and state statutes and executive orders. Megan has managed and worked on several projects, mainly in Oregon, in addition to Washington, Nevada, Utah, and California.

Megan's duties have included preparing for the field and managing crews, preparing cost estimates and proposals, managing fieldwork and deliverable schedules, communicating with clients, agencies, and tribal representatives about projects, and preparing technical reports.

Megan has authored and co-authored numerous technical reports and regularly presents posters and papers at professional conferences. Her research interests include human subsistence and settlement patterns in the Great Basin, geoarchaeology/site formation processes, and lithic use. Megan continues to research, listen, and learn more acceptable approaches to finding the balance between working in cultural resource management and working with the Tribes whose lands these projects take place on.

Selected Cultural Resource Projects

2025 *Principal Investigator*. Annual Mount Emily Recreation Area Trails and Roads Assessment, Union, OR; Union County, Oregon.

2024 *Principal Investigator/Project Manager*. City of Redmond Wetlands Complex, Deschutes County, Oregon

2023 *Principal Investigator/Project Manager*. Phase I Lookingglass Creek Fish and Habitat Enhancement Project. Union County, Oregon

2023 *Principal Investigator/Project Manager*. Coyote Springs Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project, Morrow County, Oregon

2023 *Principal Investigator/Project Manager*. Buffalo Flats Habitat Restoration Project, Union County, Oregon.

2023 *Crew Chief/Author*. Summer Lake Wildlife Area Water Line Replacement, Lake County, Oregon

Education

2020, B.S. Anthropology/Sociology, Minor in Native American Studies, Eastern Oregon University

2022, M.A., Anthropology, University of Nevada, Reno
Thesis: *Over Uplands and Across Valleys: A Test of Ideal Free Distribution Predictions for Human Settlement During the Terminal Pleistocene/Early Holocene in the Northwestern Great Basin, USA.*

Professional Qualifications

Meets Secretary of Interior's Professional Standards for Archaeology (36 CFR, Part 61, Appendix A)
Register of Professional Archaeologists
Oregon "Qualified Archaeologist" per ORS 90.235(6)(b).
Qualified ODOT Cultural Resource Consultant

Certifications

HAZWOPER 40-Hour
Oregon ATV Certified

Professional Memberships

Association of Oregon Archaeologists (Committee Member)
Association for Washington Archaeology
Nevada Archaeological Association