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INTERVIEWEE: Steven Edward Koch

Interviewer: _____

Date: December 4, 2006

Location of Interview: _____

Research Assistant: Taneshia Dawson

Interview Series: SUSTAINING NORTHWEST LANDSCAPES & COMMUNITIES

Recording Equipment: DIGITAL RECORDER (WINDOWS MEDIA AUDIO FILE) WITH AN EXTERNAL, OMNIDIRECTIONAL MICROPHONE

Time Notes

| Time | Notes |
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| 1:20 pm | Introduction sheet - Steven Edward Koch |
| " " | Born Portland - Childhood / was sustainability part of daily life Schools attended - Education ties to work art and music Landscape arc. |
| 1:25 | UPenn. over Harvard / Earth day Inventor was @ college and the school had the enviro bend. |
| 1:30 | Approach of intuitive and then follow up with Science. |
| 1:31 | San Fran after school 90-95-96 working FDR coming back for memorial |
| 1:35 | Portland Area 96 Bob Marossi projects were not the same, 1 year mayor |

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| 1:36 | Reed - Oregon Zoo work Ped. and zoo staff walk ways - Cost effectiveness of the freeway not going into forest |
| 1:38 | 96 - memorial done - my role was done - Cost of living was expensive - came back to Portland = cost of living |
| 1:40 | potential for growing in Portland - knows what he wants and what he needs in Oregon - Sustainability mean LEED system can determine what is sustainable |
| 1:45 | back to Portland wanted to start business 1997 1500 square foot studio wanted it because it had a studio 2000 started his own firm |
| 1:47 | How people def. sustainable |
| 1:55 | Raw product shipped up here |
| 1:55 | Balance of plants "native" does not have to be |
| 1:57 | intensive eco roofs - 1972 by the 200 SW Market Building |
| 2:00pm | Tech is what makes it hard and the lib |
| 2:00pm | Seed - em' - plant type |

