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INTERVIEWEE: Steven Edward Koch

Interviewer: _____

Date: December 4, 2006

Location of Interview: _____

Research Assistant: Tanesha Dawson

Interview Series: SUSTAINING NORTHWEST LANDSCAPES & COMMUNITIES

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

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

Time

Notes

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

