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Interview with David Shonk, Bumblebee Farm, 2008 (audio)

David Shonk

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INTERVIEW INDEX

INTERVIEWEE: David Shonk

Interviewer: Brian Francetich

Date: June 4, 2008

Location of Interview: Bumblebee Farm, Troutdale, Oregon

Research Assistant: Tyler Anderson

Interview Series: SUSTAINING NORTHWEST LANDSCAPES & COMMUNITIES

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

Time	Notes
1:00	PERSONAL BACKGROUND
2:00	HISTORY OF FARM
3:00	BOUGHT FARM IN 1948
3:15	12 MILE MARKET STORE IN GRESHAM
4:00	IMPORTANCE OF SMALL SCALE AGRICULTURE
6:00	VOLUNTEER LABOR
6:50	TRUE MODEL OF CSA
7:05	SUBSCRIPTION FARMING
8:00	MOTIVATION TO KEEP FARM
11:00	PASSIVE PEST CONTROL
12:00	MY ROLE IN CSA
15:00	DRIP TAPE IRRIGATION
21:00	WALDORF STUDENTS AT FARM
21:30	A LEARNING FARM
23:00	DO IT FOR THE KIDS
26:00	HOOP HOUSE
28:00	RESPONSIBILITY OF FARMER
28:15	CERTIFIED ORGANIC

Time	Notes
30:00	2 REASONS FOR CERTIFIED ORGANIC
31:00	SEEDS OF CHANGE
32:00	5 SHAREHOLDERS
37:00	THAT'S CSA
38:00	FOOD & FUEL
39:00	A GOOD JOKE
41:00	LOOK AT THE SYSTEM AS A WHOLE
43:00	CORPORATE FARMER
45:00	COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY
45:30	THE POSSIBILITIES
46:00	GREAT VIEW
51:00	ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY
53:00	LOCAL FOOD
53:30	SCHOOL FOOD
56:00	FIVE YEAR PLAN
58:00	CLOSING THOUGHTS
59:00	TIME FOR REFLECTION