

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement

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Filing Information

Election Date: November 5th, 2024 Amended Statement

Name of Candidate (as it should appear on the ballot):

Mary Colombo

Filing for the Office of: Board Member

District/Position: East Multnomah County Soil and Water Conservation District, Zone 1

"This information furnished by" (Required: Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet)

Mary Colombo

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ORS 260.715 (1), 260.993, 161.605, and 161.625.

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- That all information provided by me on this form and in this "Candidate Statement" is true to the best of my knowledge;
- I am the author of this "Candidate Statement" (ORS 251.415);
- I have read and understand the instructions for submitting this "Candidate Statement"; and
- The portrait, if provided, is less than four (4) years old.



Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate

8-27-2024

Date Signed

541-231-2446

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(If applicable) Printed name of Agent

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Mary Celeste Colombo (she/her) East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District Director
Zone 1

Occupation: Wild Roots Farm Owner

Occupational Background: Geologist at Geotechnical Firm

Educational Background: BS in Geology

Prior Government Experience: None

Community Engagement:

Partner with Urban Gleaners and Growing Gardens to increase food access.

Volunteer/Work with the following organizations in a professional manner:

- EMSWCD
- Culinary Breeding Network
- PNW CSA coalition

As someone who grew up in Estacada, Oregon, attended OSU, and now owns/operates a 4-acre diversified farm in Troutdale, I am passionate about protecting our state's land and water. I will represent our zone with a balanced and practical approach since I understand and am impacted by the issues people face in both urban and rural communities.

As a first generation farmer, I intimately understand the unique challenges of accessing farmland within our district. The board needs more representation from under-represented first generation farmers like myself who approach farming with reverence for our environment, community, and the living creatures we share the land with. I value district programs like the Headwaters Incubator Farm and CLIP grants, and I believe investing in programs like these will help ensure a robust food and farming community that serves everyone in our district. In addition, I would like to see more investment in our urban environments to reduce pollution in our streams and rivers and increase native plant populations for pollinators.

I truly believe that what unites us all is our desire for clean water and soil for future generations. I believe that big problems like climate change have local solutions. If elected, I will protect programs like the Headwaters Farm Incubator, grant and cost share programs, and land conservation programs within our district. I will serve all constituents in our unique district and strive to hold conversations, value diverse needs, and validate experiences.

Endorsments:

Laura Masterson – Zone 2 EMSWCD board member

Mike Guebert -Zone 3 EMSWCD board member

Jasmine Zimmer-Stucky – At large EMSWCD board member

Emily Cooper – Full Cellar Farm

Nicole Niebes – Urban Gleaners
Jason Skipeton – Growing Gardens