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RONALD KELLOW: Ron Kellow. '78 was my first year.¹

Ah, our area has been, uh, our family's been in the area basically since 1864. And my great-great-gran—grandfather, Washington Kellow, came over from Tennessee as a scout for the wagon trains. And, he decided it was a good place for the family so he went back then and got the family which had seven children and the wife, and they came out and settled, actually out in the Newberg area before eventually coming this direction and settling in the, coastal area.

Well, I think quality of life, that's what we try and establish, and try and establish to my kids that first and foremost in all this hubbub and hurry-up world is, ya still have to go back to quality of life. And that's what Pacific City has—offers to people, now, and has had—offered to people for centuries is we have truly quality of life. We get to have the rivers, which are full of fish, the ocean that's full of fish, the mountains, gardening. Uh, we can kind of avoid some of the commercialized things. And, the reason and I believe that that's kind of occurred is, the main streams from our metro centers go into Seaside, which is to our north, and 18,² which just goes into Lincoln City, and so we're kinda in the Bermuda Triangle, so to

speaking. And we love it. [Laughter] And we try not to advertise too much, but it is really a, a paradise here.

NOTES:

¹ Ron Kellow started dory fishing in 1978.

² Highway 18