Scoring Rubric

Class Project: Total possible - 40 points

Guiding Questions

- Why did the class choose to do this project? What is the need for this project?
- Why would this project be important to your community/school?
- How did this project improve upon or enhance student learning over the regular classroom curriculum?
- How did outside resources add to the project goals?
- In what ways were students actively involved in reaching project goals?

	10	5	3
Value of Project to Students	 Project clearly demonstrates in-depth understanding and research of one, key environmental issue or concern in students' school / community. Project extends over an appropriate period of time Project clearly demonstrates that it is an integral part of the regular classroom curriculum. 	 Project demonstrates some understanding of one, key environmental issue. Project may extend several weeks, but is limited in its value to the school / community Project makes some curricular connections, but is not an integral part of the regular curriculum. 	 Project demonstrates limited understanding or research of one, key environmental issue or concern in students' school/community. May include multiple projects that do not connect to one another. Project is short term and does not have a lasting value to the community Project is not an integral part of the regular classroom curriculum.
Integration	 Project clearly demonstrates integration with science, reading, writing, math and other subjects. Project aligns with appropriate CA State Content Standards for 5th grade; alignment is noted in the project 	 Project demonstrates some integration of science, reading, writing, math or other subjects. Project attempts to align appropriately with CA State Content Standards for 5th grade; alignment may or may not be noted in the project 	 Project has limited integration of science, reading, writing or math activities. Project does not align with CA State Content Standards for 5th grade, nor is it noted in the project.
Use of Resources	 Project clearly demonstrates use of quality educational materials, community resources and/or speakers. 	 Project demonstrates some use of additional educational materials, community resources, or speakers. 	 Project demonstrates limited or no use of additional educational materials, community resources or speakers.
Student Participation	Project clearly demonstrates evidence it was selected, researched, designed, implemented, evaluated, and written by the students.	Project has some evidence it was selected, researched, designed, implemented, evaluated, and written by the students.	Project demonstrates limited evidence that students were involved in the selection, research, design, implementation evaluation or written by students.

Long Term Environmental Impact: Total possible - 20 points

Guiding Questions

- How was this project important to students, the school and/or community?
- Will we see the effects of this project in 5 years? What is the enduring aspect of this project?
- How did students move from awareness to responsible action?

	10	5	3
Action	There is clear evidence that the project leads students from an awareness of environmental concepts and current issues to a deeper understanding and responsible action.	 There is some evidence that the project leads students from an awareness of environmental concepts and current issues to a deeper understanding and responsible action. 	There is limited evidence that the project leads students from an awareness of environmental concepts and current issues to a deeper understanding and responsible action.
Long-Term Benefit	 There is clear evidence of long-term impact of environmental benefits with students and within the school and/or community. 	 There is some evidence of long- term impact of environmental benefits with students or within the school and/or community. 	There is limited evidence of long- term impact of environmental benefits with students or in the school and/or community.

Reflection: Total possible – 20 points

Guiding Questions

- How do I know this project was successful and making a difference?
- What evidence of student learning do I have?
- How did this project improve upon or enhance student learning over the regular classroom curriculum?

	10	5	3
Student Reflection	 Project clearly demonstrates that all students have reflected on areas of successes or improvements of project goals. 	 Project provides some student reflections on areas of successes or improvements of project goals. 	 Project has little or no meaningful student reflections.
Teacher Reflection	 Project clearly demonstrates that the teacher has reflected on the benefits and challenges of meeting project goals. 	 Project provides some teacher reflection on the benefits and challenges of meeting project goals. 	 Project provides limited or no teacher reflections on the benefits or challenges of meeting project goals.

Portfolio Presentation: Total possible – 20 points

Guiding Questions

- Can someone who knows nothing about your project understand the goals and outcomes of project from the presentation?
- How does the presentation of the project demonstrate originality and creative efforts of the students and teacher?
- How were students involved in completing the presentation of the project?

	10	5	3
Completeness of Project	 All materials submitted are complete and demonstrate student involvement in conducting the project and preparing the portfolio Goals and objectives of the project are clearly articuated 	 Partial materials are submitted which demonstrate some student involvement in conducting the project and preparing the portfolio Goals and objectives of the project list, but not clearly articulated 	 Materials submitted are incomplete and demonstrate no student involvement in conducting the project and preparing project. OR Project goals are not related to the materials shown in the portfolio
Overall quality of presentation	 Overall presentation of project is original, creative, and artistic showing sustained effort and quality attention to detail 	Overall presentation of project shows good effort and quality in its originality, creativeness or artistic value.	 Overall presentation of project is not original, creative or artistic in nature. Little effort in presentation of project.