

Education Program Status Report

Presentations/Exhibits

Participated in River Bend's Middle School's virtual STEM Fair/Career Day. Presented to 4 sessions of students, a total of 7 teachers/classes with approximately 20 students per class participated over those 4 sessions 2/26/2021.

Virtually visited one Pre-K class of ~8 students at Lincoln Heights Magnet Elementary School with Lauren Daniel (DWR) to discuss where we find water and looked for signs of erosion.

Moderated all 4 of the 2021 Virtual Local Program Workshop sessions 4/19/21 – 4/22/21.

Participating in the SciMatch program. Matched with two middle school teachers and have virtual class visits scheduled for 4/26/21, 5/3/21 and 5/21/21.

Workshops

The 2021 Local Program Workshop was moved to a virtual format and was planned in coordination with the Water Resources Research Institute (WRRI). The workshop was held from April 19th – April 22nd. The 4-days of half-day webinars focused on regulatory updates, design reviews, inspection & enforcement topics, and E&SC best practices. The sessions also incorporated breakout rooms, roundtable discussions, and Q&A panels.

A Project WET workshop for DEMLR employees is being planned for May 10 & 17 in coordination with the NC DWR water educator/NC Project WET coordinator Lauren Daniel. Project WET is a K-12 water curriculum for educators, and many of their activities can be used to support erosion & sedimentation, non-point source pollution, and stormwater education.

Contract Administration

The contract proposal between DEMLR and WRRI has been approved.

Updates

The E&SC website pages are continuously being updated as needed.

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