Education Program Status Report

Presentations/Exhibits

- Attended STEM luncheon on 9/12/24 with members of the Wake County STEM Leadership Team where I presented some of the many educational resources and activities NCDEQ-DEMLR, NCDEQ-DWR, and Project WET have available.
- Attended Meredith College's Career Fair on 9/18/24 with 2 other DEQ employees.
- Attended NCSU's Engineering Career Fair on 9/19/24 with 4 other DEQ employees.
- The Sediment Education Specialist was one of the professionals who partnered with the NC Museum of Natural Sciences at the annual Educator Open House and SciREN Triangle Networking Event on 9/26/24 to distribute information about DEQ's education programs to NC educators.
- Attended NCSU's College of Natural Resources Career Fair on 10/2/24 with 4 other DEQ employees.
- Presented to four of Trinity Middle School's 8th grade classes on 10/8/24. The Enviroscape was presented in addition to the Project WET activity Sum of All Parts.
- Presented to two of Trinity Middle School's 8th grade classes on 10/9/24. The Enviroscape was presented in addition to the Project WET activity Sum of All Parts.
- Presented at the DEQ AWE (Air, Water & Earth) workshop in collaboration with the DAQ air quality educators, the Geological Survey's educator, and DCM's educator for formal and nonformal educators on 10/14/24 at NOAA Beaufort Laboratory.
 Demonstrated several activities and distributed information about water, soil, and erosion education available from DEQ.
- Presented at NCSU to Dr. Allen's Environmental Technology Laboratory I class of 16 students on 10/16/24 about NCDEQ, DEMLR, and environmental science roles in the Division.
- Attended NC State's ASABE (American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers) Fall Career Fair on 10/25/24.
- Exhibited at the NCSTA (North Carolina Science Teachers Association) Annual professional Development Institute on 11/7/24 & 11/8/24 to distribute information about DEQ's education programs to NC educators. Co-presented on 11/8/24 with the DAQ educator and the Geology educator about NCDEQ resources.
- Assisted with moderating the monthly meetings of the NC Stream Watch Cohort of educators. October & November 2024.
- Continued to co-host monthly Water Education Coffee Talks with DWR's water educator, Lauren Daniel, for formal and non-formal educators. The purpose of these coffee talks are to answer questions, showcase our education resources, facilitate networking, and discover/facilitate collaboration opportunities.

Workshops

The hybrid in-person and virtual NC E&SC Workshops (formally the E&SC Design Workshop) is scheduled for December 5, 2024, in Raleigh at the McKimmon Center.

The Annual Local Programs Workshop is being planned for April 23 & 24, 2025 at the Chatham County Agriculture and Conference Center. Planning is underway for both.

If you or a colleague would like to present at the April Local Program Workshop, email the Sediment Education Specialist!

Contract Administration

The contract between DEMLR and WRRI for the support of the 2025 Annual Local Program Workshop and Awards Luncheon is already in place.

Updates

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

If you or a colleague would like to contribute an article or suggest a topic for the winter edition of the Sediments Newsletter, email the Sediment Education Specialist!