

## Current Issue Presentation - SCORE Sheet DRAFT

The Current Issue Presentation score – 100 points – is 20% of the team's total Envirothon score. Points awarded by scoring judges on the panel are averaged to determine the team's score. Teams have seen this score sheet and know what judges will be looking for. Teams have the freedom to plan their own presentation as best fits what they want to say, and to choose whether, how, and in what order they will address these questions. Comments and suggestions for teams are welcome. The question teams must answer is:

### What is the most critical next step our community should take to increase resilience in water resource management as climate change accelerates?

Sections 1, 2, and 3 should be scored using the following ranges of point values as a guide:

- 0 - 8 = presentation demonstrates very little investigation, and/or includes major misconceptions/gaps in knowledge
- 9 - 13 = presentation demonstrates some effort, but shows incomplete investigation and/or recommendations, and/or includes minor misconceptions/gaps in knowledge.
- 14 - 17 = presentation demonstrates evidence of field observation and interviews, adequate knowledge base, some reflection. Lacks some elements of research and/or recommendations that would show a full grasp of the issues.
- 18 - 20 = presentation demonstrates insightful understanding of concepts, in-depth knowledge, uses a balance of research from field observations, interviews, and secondary sources.

#### 1. An introduction to the water resources of the community and the wider watershed

- The team introduces their community and its water resources, describing the variety of water resources and uses.
- The team identifies infrastructure for water supply, wastewater, and stormwater, and how these function
- The team explains the roles water plays in the wider ecosystem and landscape
- The team explains existing and potential effects of climate change on these resources

Comments:

SCORE (20 points possible): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. An introduction to water resource management opportunities and their relevance to climate change resilience

- The team introduces key existing water resource management that are relevant to climate change
- The team identifies new opportunities for water resource management initiatives or projects, and their relevance to climate change
- The team introduces the perspectives of several individuals engaged in different aspects of water resource management, including ways that their work demonstrates resilience

Comments:

SCORE (20 points possible): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. Recommendations for action

- The team identifies most important opportunity they see for building resilience in water resource management in their community, as climate change accelerates.
- The team proposes the next step to be taken, and what will be needed for the community to take it, including who should be involved.
- The team explains why this step is important for **increasing resilience**

Comments:

SCORE (20 points possible): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. Presentation/Discussion Essentials (15 points possible)

2021 team video presentations will NOT be scored on the basis of technical quality. The focus of scoring is on the content of the presentation and discussion. Separate from the competition, teams may submit their videos for critique by media professionals and earn recognition for high quality video presentation.

Some marks of an effective Envirothon presentation include:

- The video shows the work of all team members
- Maps are an integral part of the presentation
- The video presentation is within the 10-minute time limit
- Five team members participate fully and share responsibility for responding to questions

SCORE (15 points possible) \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

#### 5. Overall Quality (25 points possible)

These points are awarded based on the judge's overall appraisal of the team's work including

- The team is clear about how they know what they know – introducing the perspectives of the people they met (their roles, passions, expertise, values), the places they visited, the maps they used, what they saw and read, etc.
- Thoroughness in research
- Engaging stories of water, ecosystems, and/or infrastructure in their community
- In-depth introduction to different perspectives on the issues that they encountered in their research
- Initiative, effort, and willingness to take risks
- Critical thinking and creativity
- Quality of reflection and judgment
- Honesty and integrity
- Overall organization
- The team handles questions from the judges well

SCORE (25 points possible) \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**TOTAL SCORE**

(sum of front and back of this sheet, 100 points possible)



Judge's initials \_\_\_\_\_