Welcome to Over in a River: Project WET

Prepare for an incredible adventure as we learn all about rivers in the west and how they support our unique ecosystem! We’ll be taking a raft trip and doing hands-on experiments from the Project WET curriculum (each participant will receive a Project WET Guide 2.0) as we take part in the multi-disciplinary, place-based course.

Credit Registration: Registration link will be available no later than the first day of the course should you choose to take this course for continuing education credit. Credit cost is included with the class fee thanks to generous grant funding from Cross Charitable Trust.

Course goals:
1. Educators will be introduced to environmental education and the importance of understanding complex human and environment systems.
2. Educators will explore water’s relationship to our daily lives.
3. Educators will explore east Idaho’s specific historic and current water resources to learn more about what makes Idaho unique.
4. Educators will explore how place-based learning can provide their students with relevant and meaningful learning experiences.
5. Educators will learn appropriate field techniques in the context of environmental science and history.
6. Educators will create a plan to implement what they learned in their own teaching contexts.

What to bring:
- Transportation to and from Astoria Hot Springs and West Table Dock (MOI will be providing a small stipend to cover some costs associated with using your own vehicle, but please plan to drive yourself or carpool)
- Lunch for both days, snacks, water
  - You may choose to buy lunch in town on the first day, but you’ll need to bring a sack lunch for day 2.
- Appropriate outdoor clothing and supplies (day 2 includes a float trip and a visit to Astoria Hot Springs, please wear clothes/shoes that you don’t mind getting wet, as well as a change of dry clothes and a towel)
  - Information on the rafting trip can be found here.

Where to meet:
Museum of Idaho- Maeck Education Center entrance. (This is the old main entrance- look for the education center signage about half way down the block.)
Daily class schedule:
Monday, July 10
9am    Introductions- Blue Planet activity (p.125)
9:30 am Incredible Journey (p.155)
10:15 am Walk to river. Snake River (story of Idaho Falls)
11:30 am Water Crossings (p.487) and lunch
12:30pm Project WET activities
1:00pm Class adjourns for the day

Tuesday, July 11
9am    Travel to Astoria Hot Springs (transportation is not provided- please plan to drive your own car or carpool. MOI will be providing a $50 stipend for each teacher to cover this cost.)
11:30am Lunch and more activities
1:30pm Travel to West Table Dock
6:00pm Travel back to MOI
8pm Class wrap up

Course requirements:
☐ Full and focused attention at each class session
☐ Assignment: A simple lesson plan or digital artifact about something you learned that will be useful in your own educational setting. (This should take no more than 1 hour to complete)
   Due: 5pm, July 18th (please submit to Chloe Doucette at education@museumofidaho.org)
☐ Workshop evaluation (required):
   To fill out an evaluation, participants can visit: http://www.projectwetusa.org/evaluation

Use the following access code: 414711