Invitations for teachers to design a solution to a proposed problem aligned with PNNL's mission



The Six Takeaways of TSPs...



TSPs are a powerful form of professional development for both teachers and scientists



Office of STEM
Education forms a
critical "bridge" linking
teachers and scientists



Teachers benefit when setting aside their role as "educator" and embracing the role of "learner"



Learning should be interactive in nature, not just lecture-based



Teachers experience the nature of science as it is done at a national laboratory



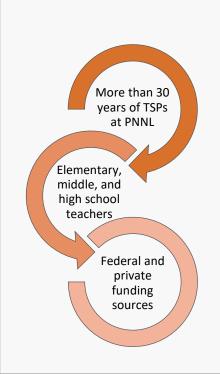
Scientists link their work to what is being taught in schools

Goal: Accelerate sustainable STEM workforce improvement through the professional development of teachers in an adult oriented, real-life, problem-based immersion in partnership with PNNL scientists and engineers. The experience is designed to impact the teaching and curriculum delivered to students in the classrooms of those teachers.









Program Structure

- •Three part teams: PNNL researchers, OSE Science Education Specialist, and classroom teachers
- •One to two week summer program

Scientist Professional Development

- •Work with Science Education Specialist to develop scenario
- Design constructive learning experiences
- Review research on TSPs and lessons learned

Scenario Development

- Scenario similar to the research done at PNNL
- •Solvable within a week
- Aligned with Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

Classroom Teachers

- Coming in teams of at least two per school
- •Teachers, as "learners", engage in problem-based learning
- •Continuous reflection on experience

After Action Review

- •All members of the team assess their experience
- •Teachers evaluate experience alignment with NGSS
- •Feedback is used to refine future TSPs

Monday

- Preparation for the week (Laboratory Record Books, Collaboration Norms, Learner hat)
- Introduction to scenario

Tuesday

- Field site visits
- Utilize hands-on scientific tools and techniques to collect data

Wednesday

- Additional data collection in field and classroom
- Begin data analysis

Thursday

- PNNL Lab visits
- Data analysis and development of final presentation

Friday

- Final teacher presentations
- Reflections on NGSS
- Development of ideas for classroom impact





Evaluate options for reintroduction of salmon and steelhead above Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee dams: Examine different methods for tracking movements of fish; Incorporate elements from geology, chemistry, biology and engineering







"This specific scenario is ideal for my classroom, but better. Walking through the process of project-based research as a student allows me the backbone of implementation."



"Greatest professional development I have attended in my 25 years. Relevant to where I am and my teaching of students."



"Giving back through STEM outreach has been a crucial component of my career. Participating in the AWB Teacher-Scientist Partnership helped improve my communication skills, and looking at our work from a teacher's perspective reminds me how cool the work we do really is! I especially enjoy working with teachers because the impact will be amplified 1000x as they carry this knowledge back to their classrooms."

*Arrows indicate whether percentage is above or below state averag

	Hockinson	Mount Vernon	Rainier	Sequim	Sunnyside	Walla Walla
(State Average: 47%)						
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Number of Students Impacted

Average % Minority

Average % Pass Rate for Science

(3000+

12

Impacted

42.8

54.2

Income

44.2