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Grant Report Summary: Outdoor Youth Connections - Darrington School District

Grant Award: \$650

Recipient: Darrington School District (5th Grade)

Partner Organization: Glacier Peak Institute

Location: Darrington Archery

Impact:

- The grant funded a series of in-school and outdoor science programs for 5th graders in the local forests.
- Programs focused on a variety of environmental science topics including:
 - Plant identification
 - Beaver dams
 - Chemical vs. physical reactions in nature
 - Potential vs. kinetic energy in nature
 - Forest observations
 - Careers in local forests and restoration
 - Fallen log investigation
- Programs utilized a combination of in-school learning and hands-on outdoor experiences in the local school forests.
- Total program hours:
 - Student participation: 238 hours

Overall:

The grant from Outdoor Youth Connections supported a rich science program for 5th graders in the Darrington School District. The program effectively incorporated the natural world as a learning environment, through fostering a connection with the outdoors and environmental stewardship.

Photos: *(Due to timeline, it was difficult for us to find photos that we have the permission to use.*

The shared photos come from representative activities from GPI activities)

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/5XQ3ZxsnmaTq3qY37>