**Ecotourism Rubric**

*What biome makes the best location for ecotourism?*

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| **Research Topics** | **Project Requirements** | **Points Earned** |
| 1. Purpose | * Includes definition of ecotourism * Includes 3 reasons to provide ecotourism | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Needs | * Include 3 major landforms * Includes rainfall and precipitation * Includes 2 major water sources * Includes 5 major plant species * Includes 5 major animal species * Includes 3 major natural resources | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Access | * Includes transportation for the arrival and departure of guests * Includes transportation for activities/tours | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Activities/Tours | * Includes at least 3 nature activities for tourists * Includes at least 3 historical/cultural activities for tourists | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Lodging & Food | * Includes details for guest lodging * Includes details for guest meals | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Who are the tourists? | * Includes a description of the target audience for your ecotour | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Environmental Impact | * Includes a description of how the environment is used * Includes 3 effects on the environment * Includes a description of any damages to the environment caused by the ecotour * Includes 3 limitations for tourists such as number of tourists, season, etc. * Includes a description of the balance between people and nature | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Risks | * Includes details of any risk associated with your ecotour location such as government stability, political strife, and infectious disease potential | \_\_\_\_\_ x 15 |
| 1. Grammar & Mechanics | * Uses correct grammar and spelling * Uses appropriate mechanics | \_\_\_\_\_\_/10 |
| 1. Presentation Skills | * Appropriate product choice * Appealing visual design * Appropriate graphics | \_\_\_\_\_ x 20 |
| 1. Extras | * Superior creativity and ingenuity | \_\_\_\_\_ x 10 |
| **Teacher Comment & Feedback:**  \_\_\_\_\_/160 | | |