



# **SECO'S GREATEST HITS**

December 14-16, 2009

Hilton Garden Inn, Austin, Texas

### **PRESENTERS:**

Juline Ferris, Program Specialist, Schools and Education State Energy Conservation Office
Carol Fletcher, Ph.D., Assistant Director, Texas Regional Collaboratives
Marsha Willis, Professional Development Coordinator, Texas Regional Collaboratives
Brenda Weiser, Ed.D., Associate Professor, University of Houston Clear Lake
Bea Long, 8th Grade Teacher and ITM, Seabrook Intermediate School, Clear Creek ISD

## AGENDA - DAY 1 (Monday, December 14, 2009)

Welcome and Introductions	Marsha Willis
Introduction to SECO Professional Development  SECO websites  Discussion of Safety Guidelines for Activities Energy Trip Ticket (K-12)	Juline Ferris
BREAK	
<ul> <li>Electricity Activities</li> <li>Discuss simple circuits (4-5)</li> <li>Electromagnets (4)</li> <li>Creating Electricity from a Magnet (4)</li> </ul>	Carol Fletcher
LUNCH	
<ul> <li>Hydroelectric Activities</li> <li>Build a Dam (1-4, 7) - Marsha</li> <li>Water Wheel (3-6) - Carol</li> <li>Under Pressure-Hydro Electric (4-6) - Carol</li> </ul>	Marsha Willis and Carol Fletcher
BREAK	
Fuel Cells  • Electrolysis (HS)	Carol Fletcher
Reflection/Discussion	Marsha Willis
Clean Up/Closure	Marsha Willis

## AGENDA – DAY 2 (Tuesday, December 15, 2009)

#### **BREAKFAST**

### **Project Learning Tree/ Energy and Society**

Brenda Weiser and Bea Long

- Overview, Goals (K-12)
- Activity: Energy Detectives (includes discussion on forms of energy)
- Dancing with Billy B. Energy and Me
- May the Source Be With You

### **BREAK**

- "Yummy, Yummy" song and "It is the Energy, It is the Sun" video
- What is PLT? Pass out energy kits (K-12)
- How Do I Get the Kits? (K-12)

### **LUNCH**

- In the Driver's Seat
- Water Cycle Dance
- Jeopardy Game
- Evaluation/Wrap Up

#### **BREAK**

#### **Solar Energy**

Marsha Willis and Juline Ferris

- What Color Absorbs (K-4,6) Marsha
- Cooking with the Sun (6-8) Juline
- Testing PV Cells (HS) Marsha

## Clean Up/Closure

Marsha Willis

#### AGENDA – DAY 3 (Wednesday, December 16, 2009)

### **BREAKFAST**

# Biomass

Marsha Willis and Juline Ferris

- Biomass: Nature's Most Flexible Resource (4-8) Marsha
- NUTS! (6-12) Juline

### **BREAK**

- Making a Landfill (HS) Juline
- Making a Landfill Gas (HS) Juline

## LUNCH

## **Bringing it All Together**

Marsha Willis

- Vertical Alignment/Themes in New TEKS
- Making a Career Connection
- Guest Lectures/Field Trips
- Organizing a Professional Development
- Alternative Ways to Organize Units

#### **BREAK**

### **Energy Tickets**

Juline Ferris

- Final Count
- Prizes

### Material Give Aways/Adjourn

Marsha Willis