

## PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 2006 FIELD SCHOOL IN WATERSHED SCIENCE FOR K-12 EDUCATORS!

Dear Educators,

The watershed Research and Education Program at Northern Arizona University is pleased to announce a Field School in watershed science for K-12 educators. The Field School will be held April 20 through 22, 2006 (Thursday evening through Saturday afternoon).

The objectives of this Field School are to:

- 1) Present watershed science information that will be of lasting value to educators and their students;
- 2) Facilitate discussion and networking in an interactive learning environment;
- 3) Examine the application of watershed science to water issues that presently face north-central Arizona communities.

During this Field School we will explore issues pertaining to impacts of fire on watersheds, land use and urbanization; water use, quantity, quality and conservation; drought impacts, surface and ground water hydrology; geology, and riparian ecology, with attention to development of curricula and curricular materials suitable for primary and secondary schools. Individuals who have been and continue to be involved with these issues will lead portions of our field trips as well as present and exchange information with participants. We will spend a day in the Wet Beaver Creek or Clear Creek watershed and a second day at several sites in the Oak Creek watershed. All sites have been chosen to allow ready access during inclement weather. We will have alternative plans in the event of any forest closure.

As we will spend much time in the field regardless of inclement weather, the following gear is recommended:

Small daypack or fanny pack

Layered clothing (cool mornings, warm/hot afternoons)

Long pants

Hat (with wide brim)

Sunscreen and sunglasses

Water bottles (we will provide water)

Sturdy foot gear (Tevas or old sneakers work well as we will most likely get wet or muddy)

Cameras

Binoculars

Tissues and TP

Rain gear

The total cost for the Field School is a \$75.00 non-refundable registration fee. Travel, meals, and lodging (based on a double-occupancy premise) will be provided as well as all educational materials. A certificate of completion will be awarded to each participant at the end of the Field School which many people are able to translate into CEUs. The Field School is limited to 30 participants, so please register early. The registration deadline is March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Please contact us with questions and comments. The brochure, invitation letter, and detailed itinerary may be accessed on our web-site and will be updated periodically (watershed.nau.edu). We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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