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Classroom Kit

Fire & Flooding:

This kit includes the following activities and associated materials.

Fire & Flooding – Students will learn about the Colorado Springs water collection system, how a fire can impact the watershed, and conduct an experiment to observe run-off and water quality impacts from burned and unburned areas.

- Six 9 oz. clear plastic cups
- One cookie sheet or tray
- Two clear liter bottles
- Two 2X2 inch squares of screen material
- Two rubber bands
- Paper towels
- Access to water
- Two cups of pea gravel
- One cup forest duff/soil
- One cup ash
- o Optional: pH paper; total dissolved solids (TDS) meter; data sheet.
- Fire Runoff Experiment- See the difference between runoff from a natural forest soil verses a burned area.
 - pH paper
 - 1 Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) meter
 - 1 tray
 - Paper towels
 - 6 Clear 9 oz cups
 - o 1 unburned soil sample
 - 1 burned soil sample
 - Data sheet