Idaho EcosySTEM Fall Regional Convenings

REGIONS 5 & 6
Defining community

• Rural
• Remote
• Agricultural
• Hispanic/Indigenous populations
• Socioeconomic divides create/reinforce educational divides
What Resources Are Available & What Is Missing?

Available
- Industry funding support & volunteer expertise
- University student and professional volunteers
- Clubs/extracurriculars

Missing
- Leadership
- Additional humanpower
- Connection & communication strategies
- Funding
How does your organization partner with others?

EVENTS

EXTRACURRICULARS

FUNDING

VOLUNTEERS

LIMITED/NONE
List achievements and measure of success

**ACHIEVEMENTS**
- Very successful events
- Establishing new competition teams
- ISU invests in STEM

**MEASURE OF SUCCESS**
- Headcount/enrollment
- Surveys
- Certification/go-on rate/other standardized metrics
The Idaho STEM Ecosystem will foster the integration of STEM in the educational experiences of all Idahoans

Regulatory/Policy needs

**Organization**
- Guidance from policymakers
- Unknown

**Community**
- Industry guidance
- Internet access
What are barriers to your success?

• Barriers to participation (transportation, language, registration fees, etc)
• Cultural attitudes toward STEM
• Geography
How does your organization approach equity and what is needed to support equity?

**APPROACH TAKEN**
- Free/reduced cost programming
- Partnerships
- Population is largely underrepresented

**SUPPORTS NEEDED**
- Cultural shifts
- Guidelines on best practice, policy, etc