

Hi folks,

I hope that all is well in your respective locations.

I have a couple of items for you. Thanks to our web master Scott Battaion, we are completing the new Wright Center web site pages designed especially for the International Environmental Change Workshop series (IECWS). After Monday, go to [http://www.tufts.edu/as/wright\\_center/iecws/index.html](http://www.tufts.edu/as/wright_center/iecws/index.html) or if you lose that page go to the Wright Center home page, click on workshops, click on summer 2003, scroll down to the IECWS and click on IECWS web site home page. The IECWS web pages will have everything you need for the entire workshop series as it becomes available. Currently on the IECWS home page you will find a copy of the letter I sent you welcoming you to the program which lists the things you need to bring to the workshop, directions to the workshop, etc. Also on the home page you will find the reading list, pertinent news articles, educational materials, workshop participant contact info, web links of interest. The page is not entirely complete as things will be added periodically. Eventually all the educational materials you develop will also be posted on this page for your workshop colleagues to help you develop and evaluate. Please take some time and view the IECWS web pages after Monday. Under the materials section you will find many of the materials that we will utilize at the workshop and later in your classrooms. You are welcome to do as much prep for the workshop as you like, find and read selections from the reading list (please mail me your additional reading ideas), view the materials and the links. After each workshop concludes, all of the photos/videos and information collected at each workshop will also be posted on this site.

Also, one of my goals for the workshop series is to help everyone utilize all of the educational materials available and soon to be available. To do this we need to align the materials to your state and national education standards, both science and non science. I know there are some common "threads" between all of our national standards that will help us help you to incorporate the educational materials into your classroom instruction. Please send me copies of you national curriculums ( I already have the US earth science standards) and please bring a copy of your standards with you to the workshop. We have time scheduled at the workshop to talk and investigate the best ways to connect environmental materials to meet your needs/requirements.

Today it was sunny and 76 degrees F in Missoula, Montana. For up to date weather information see

<http://www.wunderground.com/cgi-bin/findweather/getForecast?query=missoula+montana>

If you have any questions please give me a holler - and periodically check the IECWS web site for updates. Get psyched and have a great end of the school year.

Cheers

Zach