2009 Learning Objectives

- 1. Students should know what biodiversity means.
- 2. They should know how soils, forestry, wildlife and aquatics are affected by biodiversity.
- 3. They should know when some event happens, which affects our natural world, how it will affect biodiversity. Example—Building a dam, a wildfire, an oil spill, cutting a forest, etc.
- 4. They should know the definition of species, genetic and ecosystem biodiversity.
- 5. They should know the main causes of biodiversity loss and some solutions to solving these losses.
- 6. They should know the benefits that we get from biodiversity.
- 7. They should be familiar with some of the main alien species and some of the problems that they are causing.
- 8. They should know how small streams play a big role in maintaining species biodiversity.
- 9. They should know how natural changes in our environment affect the biodiversity of our world. Ex. Too much rain, drought, too hot, too cold, etc.
- 10. They should be familiar what happens when an ecosystem collapses and what can be the result of several ecosystems collapsing.
- 11. Why is plant conservation so important?
- 12. Where do most of our medicines come from?
- 13. How can biodiversity help our food supply?
- 14. How do pollutants affect our water/streams?
- 15. They should be familiar with the number of extinction periods that we have had in the past and what caused them.
- 16. They should be familiar with climate change and how it is or may be affecting our biodiversity.