**Example Project Review Sheet**

**Watershed Awareness**

Key points

* Normal daily activities in and around the home, office, school, etc. contribute household chemicals (cleaning products and personal care products), pet waste, automotive fluids, salt, litter, lawn and garden chemicals and more to the water supply.
* Behavioral changes made via education can greatly improve water quality in our rivers and streams
* Rain water harvesting using rain barrels, and storm water management via rain garden installations promote on-site absorption and reduce water pollution from runoff and reduce flooding
* If everyone pitches in, we can go a long way in cleaning up our waterways
* Point and non-point sources pollution

Action/Projects:

* Rain barrel installation at school
* Rain gardens – plan for a possible one on school grounds or in community
* Education around common watershed pollutants

**Composting**

Key points

* Landfills are associated with many environmental problems
* If everyone were to recycle their recyclables and compost their organic matter (food scraps and yard and garden debris) we could reduce the amount of material we're sending to our landfills by 75%
* Composting reduces solid waste and produces rich, organic soil amendments and fertilizer.
* Composting return organic material and nutrients to the soil where it is a crucial part of soil's composition
* Without 4-7% organic matter in the soil plants (and therefore animals) would not exist

Action/Projects

* Designing own compost bin – worm or backyard
* Plan for setting up a compost bin of either type in a classroom or in school garden

**Recycling and Resources Conservation**

Key Points

* 3Rs
* Reduce and Reuse first before recycling
* Life cycle of items
* Generation, separation, collection, final disposal

Actions/Project Ideas

* Design an education campaign for school recycling
* Design a recycling program for school
* Larger waste audit of a portion of the school and come up with a plan based on finding
* Create your own recycling bin
* Think of ways your school could conserve resource through reuse over disposable items

**Environmental Health**

Key Points

* Everyday toxins that harm health of us and the environment
* Key ingredients to avoid
* Food
* Cleaning Products
* Plastic Use

Actions/Project Ideas

* Creating nontoxic products for classmates
* Review of food options at school lunches
* Audit of school’s cleaning products