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**Addressing the evaluation criteria**

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| Leadership and excellenceLeadership and excellence refers to the recognised quality of your initiative and its demonstrated leadership in promoting science.In no more than 600 words (including any images, figures or tables), please describe how the science engagement initiative has:  * demonstrated excellence in science engagement methods and ambassadorship for science; * demonstrated peer, user and/or other formal recognition of excellence and achievements in science engagement; and * demonstrated focus on building a culture of science in the State and raising the profile of the State’s capabilities, achievements and opportunities in science.   Your response should provide clear evidence with quantitative information to support your claims and include a description of your initiative’s activities, the target audience(s) and how you engage with them. You should include how this relates to a Western Australian focus and sets a high standard for science engagement in the State. |
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| **Impact** Impact refers to the tangible benefits of your initiative for its audience(s) and Western Australia.In no more than 600 words (including any images, figures or tables), please describe how the science engagement initiative has:  * demonstrated outcomes in increased school, community and/or other audience awareness, interest and participation in science, including among under-represented or under-engaged groups; * demonstrated contribution or commitment to economic, social, environmental, regional and/or other developmental benefits and outcomes for the State; and * demonstrated the optimisation of available resources, both financial and other, to maximise impact and outcomes.   Your response should provide clear evidence with quantitative information to support your claims. Examples of evidence that you could draw from include participation and reach (including any insights on trends or demographics), survey or focus group results and/or participant outcomes. |
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| CollaborationCollaboration refers to working with others and attracting funding.In no more than 600 words (including any images, figures or tables), please describe how the science engagement initiative has:  * demonstrated effective collaboration and genuine partnerships; * demonstrated commitment to achieving outcomes that complement other key science, policy, engagement and/or education initiatives; and * demonstrated an ability to attract local, national and/or international interest and/or investment.   Your response should provide clear evidence with quantitative information to support your claims and include a summary of any meaningful collaborations (past and present), how the initiative complements other key activities, and any funding and/or support you have attracted. |
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