**Climate Justice Project Rubric**

| **Criteria** | **Exemplary (4-5 points)** | **Proficient (3 points)** | **Basic (1-2 points)** | **Needs Improvement (0 points)** |
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| **1. Indigenous Land Connection** | Comprehensive acknowledgment of Indigenous land, tribe(s), languages, firsthand account, and thorough investigation of the landback movement in the Bay Area. | Mostly accurate acknowledgment and sufficient investigation of the landback movement. | Partial acknowledgment and minimal investigation of the landback movement. | Failed to acknowledge Indigenous land or investigate the landback movement. |
| **2. Environmental Vulnerability** | Comprehensive assessment of climate damage risks using [climatecheck.com](http://climatecheck.com/), and detailed recount of extreme weather event impacts on humans, animals, and finances. | Sufficient assessment of climate damage risks, and some recount of extreme weather impacts. | Minimal assessment of climate damage risks and recount of extreme weather impacts. | Failed to assess climate damage risks or recount extreme weather impacts. |
| **3. Local Access** | Comprehensive assessment of local access using relevant scores/data, and exploration of tree equity scores with all indicators. | Sufficient assessment of local access and exploration of tree equity scores with some indicators. | Minimal assessment of local access and exploration of tree equity scores with few indicators. | Failed to assess local access or explore tree equity scores. |
| **4. Climate Justice Organization and Groups** | Comprehensive presentation of organization information, and well-reasoned assessment of its effectiveness in addressing climate justice issues. | Sufficient presentation of organization information, and some assessment of its effectiveness. | Minimal presentation of organization information and assessment of its effectiveness. | Failed to present organization information or assess its effectiveness. |
| **5. Reflection** | Deep and insightful reflections on the research experience, highlighting discoveries, interesting findings, potential future actions, and alignment with existing knowledge. | Sufficient reflections on the research experience with some insights on discoveries, interesting findings, potential future actions, and alignment with existing knowledge. | Minimal reflections on the research experience with significant lack of insights. | Failed to provide reflections on the research experience. |
| **6. Action Step** | Clear and comprehensive explanation of the chosen action with a connection to research findings, and comprehensive documentation of its impact with relevant pictures or graphs. | Sufficient explanation of the chosen action with some connection to research findings, and some documentation of its impact with relevant pictures or graphs. | Minimal explanation of the chosen action with weak or no connection to research findings, and minimal documentation of its impact. | Failed to explain the chosen action or document its impact. |
| **7. Overall Presentation and Cohesiveness** | Project is well-presented in any chosen format (slideshow, video, infographic, poster board, etc.), with clear and professional visuals, audio, and content, and a cohesive flow between sections. | Project is mostly well-presented in any chosen format, with some clear and professional visuals, audio, and content, and some cohesiveness. | Project is minimally presented in any chosen format, with some lack of clarity and professionalism, and minimal cohesiveness. | Project is poorly presented in any chosen format, with significant lack of clarity, professionalism, and cohesiveness. |