**Northwest District Natural Resources PIT Team COVID19 Report – Jan – June 2020**

1. **PIT team:**  **Natural Resources**
2. **DED Name:** **Dr. Pete Vergot**
3. **Reporting Date: 01/02/2020 – 06/30/2020**
4. **Number of Creative Works and Publications: 253**
5. **Number of Extension Programs: Educational Activities: 185**

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| 1. **Extension Programs: Clientele Contacts** | |
| **Number of Educational Materials Developed** | **264** |
| **Field Consultations** | **54** |
| **Office Consultations** | **68** |
| **Telephone Consultations** | **268** |
| **Group Learning Participants** | **24,490** |
| **E-mail Consultations** | **1,384** |
| **Website Visits** | **15,551** |
| **Social Media** | **23,552** |

1. **Challenges during these uncertain times and support needed** (list top 5, be brief):
   1. Switching to online delivery f programs. It takes a team to deliver social media trainings. Recognition for behind-the- scene personnel should be significant during this pandemic.
   2. None or reduced in-person field visits to assist clientele
   3. Offering field classes to large groups (Florida Master Naturalist)
   4. Many NR programs rely on volunteers, citizen scientists, so certain activities and research couldn’t be completed.
   5. No in-person faculty meetings for PIT teams or Sea Grant WAGs for program planning or in-service training, many conferences cancelled or post-poned
2. **New activities and ideas for program delivery (online, distance, remote, etc.)** (list top 5, be brief):
   1. Increased use of webinar formats, use Facebook Live, online question and answer sessions
   2. Filmed, edited, posted videos to YouTube
   3. Adobe Captivate for e-learning
   4. Teams and Zoom for interviews and large meetings
   5. Weekly blog posts
3. **Any other major items not included above?**

The NR PIT Team is exploring using a virtual field trip format to replace this fall’s planned Panhandle Outdoors Live events.