

Agency/Organization: Outside Las Vegas Foundation/DBA Get Outdoors Nevada

Project Name: Mojave Max Education Program

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QUESTION 1: What did you accomplish during this reporting period? How did these accomplishments help you reach the goal of your project? If relevant, what indicators or benchmarks were used to determine your progress?

- Assemblies: We reached over 2,000 students through 16 assemblies this quarter:
 - 1st Grade at Triggs, Darnell, Coral Academy of Science - Deer Springs, Mathis, Rowe, and Ullom ES
 - 2nd Grade at Rowe, Bryan, Vanderburg, Ullom, Walker, and Dickens ES
 - 3rd Grade at Abston and Cambeiro ES
 - 4th Grade at Garehime, Kesterson, Wynn, Cambeiro, and Adams ES
 - 5th Grade at Wynn and Cambeiro ES

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Tortoise Talks: Between 01/1/24 and 3/31/24, GON completed Tortoise Talk presentations for 59 classes reaching 1,307 students. Participating schools included: Hoggard, Goolsby, Deskin, Wolff, Scott, May, Scherkenbach, Explore KNowledge Academy, Bass, Dooley, Morrow, Bryan, French, Neal Steam Academy, Hancock, and Diskin Elementary Schools.

- Outreach Events: GON has not participated in any community outreach events during this quarter. We do have a larger team available to assist this year and have begun preparing for the busy spring season by pre-selecting and calendaring events in collaboration with Audrie.
- Emergence Contest: As of mid-March, there were over 3,300 Emergence Contest guesses. We continue to promote the contest through multiple channels until Max emerges. Our goal is to surpass last year's submissions and accrue at least 4,600 guesses. We hope to gain an uptick around Earth Day festivities coming in April.
- Emergence Contest Winner Classroom Visit and Field Trip: This deliverable will be completed in the second half of the Spring semester. We have been in contact with the Springs Preserve to identify potential field trip dates. We have also confirmed an itinerary for the day as well.

QUESTION 2: What, if any, problems were encountered? Briefly describe those problems and the manner in which they were dealt.

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Ordering remains slow and, in response, we have begun restricting the number of items handed out to participants this quarter. This is to ensure that each participant receives a takeaway, but that we have the stock to distribute throughout the remainder of the season.

QUESTION 3: What, if any, proposed activities were not completed? Briefly describe those activities, the reasons they were not completed and your plans for carrying them out.

- No proposed activities have not been completed.

QUESTION 4: What is the calculated percent of work completed?

- 75% We have made huge strides towards completion this quarter. With a later start in quarter one, we doubled down on programming in order to finish assemblies before Max emerges in the spring and before the end of the school year. While the bulk of Tortoise Talks and Assemblies are finished for the school year, we look forward to coordinating and hosting the activities associated with the Emergence Contest in the coming weeks.

QUESTION 5: Do you foresee any upcoming problems with future project activities? If so, how do you propose to overcome those problems?

- No, we do not foresee any upcoming problems with future activities at this time.

QUESTION 6: Is there anything else you want to tell the DCP about this project?

- We appreciate the opportunity to partner with DCP on this important project.

QUESTION 7: What was produced during the reporting period?

- 59 Tortoise Talks were completed for 1,307 students.
- 3,300 Emergence Contest Guesses submitted so far this school year.
- 2,064 Students attended one of 16 Mojave Max Assemblies.