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Date: Thursday - September 13, 2007 4:27 PM  
Subject: RE: follow up on database

Hello Matt:

Received feedback on some of the questions that you had a couple of months ago for the sustainable living database. So I will try to explain things in this email.

Under search tools...it was decided to add a category.

1. Search text - this is o.k.
2. Please change Keywords to TOPIC (will create some items for this later) but examples would be "sustainability" "housing" "green camps"
3. Please Add new field called DELIVERY METHOD ( this is conference, field trip etc.) Also please add a category call "ALL" and have this as the first option. Also add camp programs, camp curriculum, and field labs.
4. State (please add ANY as first choice in drop down)
5. Audience (please add ANY as first choice on drop down). Also please add new potential audiences...Cities, Regulators, Municipalities, and Businesses/Organizations.

That's all for now. I will work on TOPICS on Monday and send to you.

Of course all of this is in preparation for our next conference call

which is next Tuesday.

So whatever you can do is appreciated.....Many thanks, Bruce

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From: Matt Howell [mailto:mhowell@warnell.uga.edu]  
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2007 11:15 AM  
To: Mertz, Bruce  
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Bruce,

It's actually been pretty mild down here for a while, but it's returning to the norm and the humidity is finally kicking in. I'm going to New Hampshire next week to hopefully escape the weather for a little bit.

As for progress, I have started working on the search form and have a few questions that will help me along:

Most of this is based on the original Word document that Martha and Viviane wrote up (I'll attach it for convenience):

When I looked at the search fields, I realized that I wasn't sure what these were:

Environment/Economics/Equity

Method

Also, the Topics field is supposed to be a predefined list, e.g. Sustainable living, etc.

I'll go ahead and create the field, but will need to decide what topics go in this list.

The current search form (which doesn't actually search yet) is located at <http://www.anrep.org/tools>

Once we decide about these fields, I'll add them to the search form and get the search working.

I also realized that I need to create the commenting/reviewing feature, but that will only take me a day or two.

Sorry about not making much headway, but I'll be able to work on this as soon as I return the week after next.

Let me know if you have any comments/questions.

Matt