Sustainable energy project rubric.

As American society approaches its natural limits involving limited resources, energy has become one of the most important topics of our time. If we are to achieve sustainability, we will need to re-vision the future and change our energy policies and practices. This project is an opportunity for you to be a part of that change. The goal is to research a question of interest regarding energy sustainability. Draw some conclusions about your research based at least in part on your knowledge of physics concepts and calculations. Present your findings in a presentation to the class and the community.

Sustainable energy project criteria	Below basic	Meets basic	Exceeds basic
	standard (1 pt.)	standard (2 pts.)	standard (3 pts.)
1. What are your driving questions and goals?	Question does not	Question is	Question
Describe the driving questions and goals. Why is	address an issue	somewhat related	addresses a real
this important to know?	related to energy.	to energy issues.	issue related to
			energy.
2. What is your plan?	Plan and protocol	Plan and protocol	Plan and protocol
Include your project proposal.	lack sufficient	contain sufficient	are logical with
	details and steps.	detail and steps.	easy-to-follow
			steps.
3. What did you find out?	Data and results	Data and results	Data and results
Describe your findings and results.	are incomplete	are complete and	are complete,
	and inconclusive.	conclusive.	accurate, and
			neatly organized.
4. What is your recommendation?	Recommendations	Recommendations	Recommendations
Do you recommend this as an alternative energy	are illogical and	match the stated	are
form? What are some potential obstacles?	do not match the	problem. One to	comprehensive.
	question.	two obstacles are	Three to four
	Obstacles are not	listed.	obstacles are
	included.		listed.
5. What is the science behind it all?	Science concepts	Science concepts	Science concepts
Describe the energy concepts related to your	and principles do	and principles	and principles are
project.	not adequately	adequately	comprehensive
	describe the	describe the	and adequately
	science behind the	science behind the	describe the
	problem.	problem.	science behind the
			problem.
6. Who are your references and consultants?	Experts and	One to two	Three to four
Must include contact with a "community expert"	references are not	experts and	experts and
and submit a list of references.	directly related	references that	references that
	the question.	speak directly to	speak directly to
		the question are	the question are
		included.	included.

7. How well do you convey your ideas?	Presentation is	Presentation is	Presentation is
Presentation includes appropriate use of media,	disorganized.	organized.	highly organized
backgrounds, readable fonts, bulleted ideas, clear	Articulation is	Articulation is	and creative.
articulation, eye contact, and competence.	unclear.	clear. Presenters	Articulation is
	Presenters do not	speak directly to	clear. Presenters
	speak directly to	the audience.	speak directly to
	the audience.		the audience.