Broader Impact Assessment

NSF Broader Impact (BI) types are below. Check each type of BI proposed.

☐ Improved STEM education and educator development
☐ Increase public science literacy and public engagement
☐ Full participation of underrepresented groups in STEM
☐ Diverse competitive STEM workforce
☐ Enhanced infrastructure for research and education
☐ Increased economic competitiveness – Industry partnerships
☐ Improved well-being of individuals in society
Check a box if you agree with the statement
1. The Broader Impact clear and concrete.
Activities are clearly described.
Audience(s) are clearly described.
Audience(s) numbers served are clearly described.
☐ Timeframe is clearly defined.
☐ Benefits to the audience or society are clearly described.
2. The Broader Impact is a good idea?
Activities integrate the resources or infrastructure of the institution.
Activities leverage the resources and strength of partners.
Activities are creative and original.
Activities promote STEM education and research.
☐ The proposed BI is grounded in relevant literature.

3. The Broader Impacts are realistic and measurable.
Goals and outcomes are clearly defined.
There is a clear need for the activities or program.
Outcomes are measurable and evidence-based.
Outcomes are SMART – Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound.
The evaluator who will conduct the evaluation is clearly defined.
4. The PI and project team are qualified to do the proposed BI.
The team members' credentials are clearly described.
The PI, team, or partner(s) have appropriate experience to do the BI.
☐ PI provides results of relevant prior NSF support.
PI provides experience of relevant prior success.
The evaluator has the expertise and experience needed to evaluate the project.
5. The budget is sufficient.
There is a clear and realistic budget.
$\hfill \square$ The budget justification provides reviewers with the information necessary to assess feasibility.
Resources and infrastructure provided by the PI's institution or partners are clearly described.
☐ Budget is clearly described and is sufficient to support the project.
The scale of BI activities is proportional, approximately 10% of the total project budget.