Research Plan Blank Template

Use the following template to plan your project. Feel free to edit and reformat as needed.

Group Members & Contact Info

Research Question or Hypothesis

What larger theme does this relate to? (For example, climate change, public health, etc.)

Who might be interested in this data? Why?

Background Information
List what you already know:

List what you need to know:

List your next steps:
Method
What pollutants are you interested in?

What additional quantitative or qualitative data do you need?

What are you comparing? (For example, two pollutants in different locations, or the same location at different times.)

Required Materials

Procedure
How will you collect your data, step by step? This applies to groups using the Pods and groups using existing data.

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Timeline

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Potential Sources of Error
List two potential sources of error and how you can minimize their effects on the data.
1.

2.

Data Analysis Plan
Describe two statistics that you will compute to help you evaluate your hypothesis.
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Describe two plots that you will make to help you evaluate your hypothesis.
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