**Peer Review Activity – Story Map Project**

What is your name and major? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Charlie Melnarik: Computer Science\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is the name and major of your partner? \_\_\_\_\_\_Rob Mcmanus Geography\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is the email address of your partner? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Rob.w.mcmanus33@gmail.com\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­\_\_

Pair up with another student to conduct an in-person peer review of the Story map Project. The goal is to provide constructive feedback or ask questions that help your partner improve their map.

The information that was due in class today includes the following:

* What is the spatial question that your map seeks to answer?
* What layers do you plan to show on your map? Where/how will you obtain these data?
* What additional information or descriptions do you plan to include in your story map (e.g. text, graphics, links to resources, etc...)?
* Who is the intended audience for this story map?
* Which thematic mapping technique do you plan to use? Why?
* Which design strategies do you plan to implement? How?

Next, please show your peer review activity partner your layout and briefly summarize your answers to each of the benchmark assignment questions.

After you have discussed your project and your partner’s project, please answer the questions below, and submit to D2L.

Email a copy of this document to your partner.

1. In one or two sentences, evaluate whether your partner’s map plan will answer the spatial question. If applicable, provide some suggestions for how the map could be modified to better answer the question: **I think that your map will answer your spatial question of determining where in Washington is viable for agricultural purposes.**
2. What is something you like about your partner’s plan, or something interesting about their spatial question or map? **I like how you are comparing average rainfall in the state to what types of agriculture there is in the state based on location, and from that, you can determine based on location, what type of agriculture you would be successful in.**
3. For each of the following, evaluate the information provided by your partner. Provide feedback if modifications are suggested. For example, you could say “I think that these data would be better represented with the proportional symbol technique rather than the dot density technique”.

* Appropriateness of mapping technique. **I think the Appropriateness of your mapping is good. Im not sure if this was your plan or not however, I think instead of using someone elses map for the rainfall, you should make your own. Otherwise, I think your interactive map is very good. Good move making that one the interactive map since there is lots of tiny polygons there.**
* Appropriateness of data. Correct data? **From what I can see, your data is correct. Like mentioned earlier, maybe use the data from noaa if possible, to create your own map instead of using their map.**

Evaluate the story map layout provided by your partner. If applicable, suggest design strategies that could be used to more clearly answer the spatial question with the map. **I like your story map! I think it is very detailed and I also like how your story map describes each part of the state and what is grown/raised there. The only suggestion I have, which I know you mentioned was to get more clear pictures and I realize that can be difficult. Other than that, I would say add the rest of your maps and you should be good to go for the project. I don’t think you need to add much to your story map. I did notice a typo in your title description, however. “**Weather is one of biggest challenges facing farmers. Knowing the precipitation of your agricultural area can make of break your crop.**”**