COLUMN FIVE USDA/CARROTNY - HUNGRY PESTS INTERACTIVE

TECHNICAL BRIEF Version 4 – 3/14/14



TECHNOLOGY

BROWSER SUPPORT: IE9, IE10, Safari, Chrome, Firefox (Modern Browsers)

DEVICE SUPPORT: Tablet and Desktop (no Mobile)

WEB HOST: Client site

SERVER SOFTWARE: PHP(N/A)

API INTEGRATION: N/A

DATA STORAGE: None – possible inclusion of share score feature. TBD.

CONTEXT: Embedded interactive

DESIGN METHODOLOGY: Fixed-width

DIMENSIONS: 964px by 550px

FRAMEWORKS: *jQuery, Knockout.js, d3.js, Modernizr*

VERSIONING: Git Repository (BitBucket)

CLIENT ASK

- Gamified interactive to educate children (middle-school aged) on invasive pest species
- Should include engaging features such as quizzes, interesting facts, and user feedback
- Interactive should feature USDA hungry pests mascot 'Vin Vasive'
- Creative freedom in development of feature specifics collaborate with Nicole for design requirements for dev

FEATURES

- 5 screens
 - Title screen
 - o Interactive kitchen scene
 - Fridge sub scene
 - Table sub scene
 - Cupboard sub scene
 - o Interactive garage scene
 - o Interactive park scene
 - o Interactive conclusion screen with hungry pests and relevant facts

- Introductory screen masks
 - o 2 Kitchen
 - o 1 Garage
 - o 2 Park
- Scroll navigation (to next screen)
- Progress bar
- Interactive items to collect within scenes
- Item collector
- Pop quiz
- 'Vin Vasive' surprise
- Social share buttons
- Final screen pest exploration
- Update browser screen

TECHNICAL

- Data interactive state (including quizzes, vin vasive, progress bar, scenes, masks, and sub scenes, etc.) held in JSON
- Scenes backgrounds SVG
- Items in sprite sheet
- Item hover animation
- D3.js for SVG manipulation
- Knockout.js for item collector (ko.observableArray items, render using foreach binding on item collector)
- Modernizr to browser sniff / prompt browser update screen
- JS operates by managing state of interactive from user input (lessons from CRIS!)

NOTES

- Kelly delivering quiz copy Monday (5/19) for selected items and list of items that will prompt vin vasive + text
- Waiting on new sprite sheet from Nicole
- 68hrs Dev budget (60hrs target + 8hr edits round)