



5. Earth's Systems

Sample Driving Question:

How can our community better protect our earth's resources and the environment?

Relevant Standards:

5-ESS3-1. Obtain and combine information about ways individual communities use science ideas to protect the Earth's resources and environment.

Annual Report Supplemental Resource Stories:

- [Building a Sustainable Future One Power Plant at a Time](#)
- [End of Coal](#)
- [Quality Water for Quality Products](#)
- [Working for Water](#)
- [Getting More for Less](#)

Additional HBPW Resources:

- [Tours of Water Treatment Plant or Water Reclamation Facility](#)
- [SROI Report](#)
- [SROI Presentation](#)
- [Visual Assets](#)

About this resource:

Holland Board of Public Works is a strong advocate for educating students on where their utilities come from and how they are provided. We believe that providing context on what is happening in their community will help them to become community advocates and engaged citizens.

We have provided some ways in which our stories can supplement state standards, but we invite you to explore the stories and see in what other ways these topics might serve as a resource in your classroom. More information can be found online at <http://annualreports.hollandbpw.com/annualreport2016/article/educator-resources>