

Stage 1: Identify

Due May 21 in middle of class

1 sheet per problem/issue

Current Biotech Issue/problem that needs to be solved:

Deforestation

Area(s) of Challenge: (food, health, etc)

Habitat, environment

Who is impacted by the problem:

Animals that are indigenous to forests and humans who use trees as resources.

Previously attempted solutions and limitations of solutions

1. Laws to limit tree felling and curb deforestation, this only yields limited effects due to both violation of those laws being difficult to punish and regulate and because the laws that are extreme cannot be passed due to industries ties in government.

2. Public consumption of certified sustainable wood products the problem is the

lack of availability and awareness of these products.

3. The idea of zero deforestation supply chains in the marketplace, but again its hard to make sure that these claims are truly complete, the same problem as “whole wheat” and “natural”.