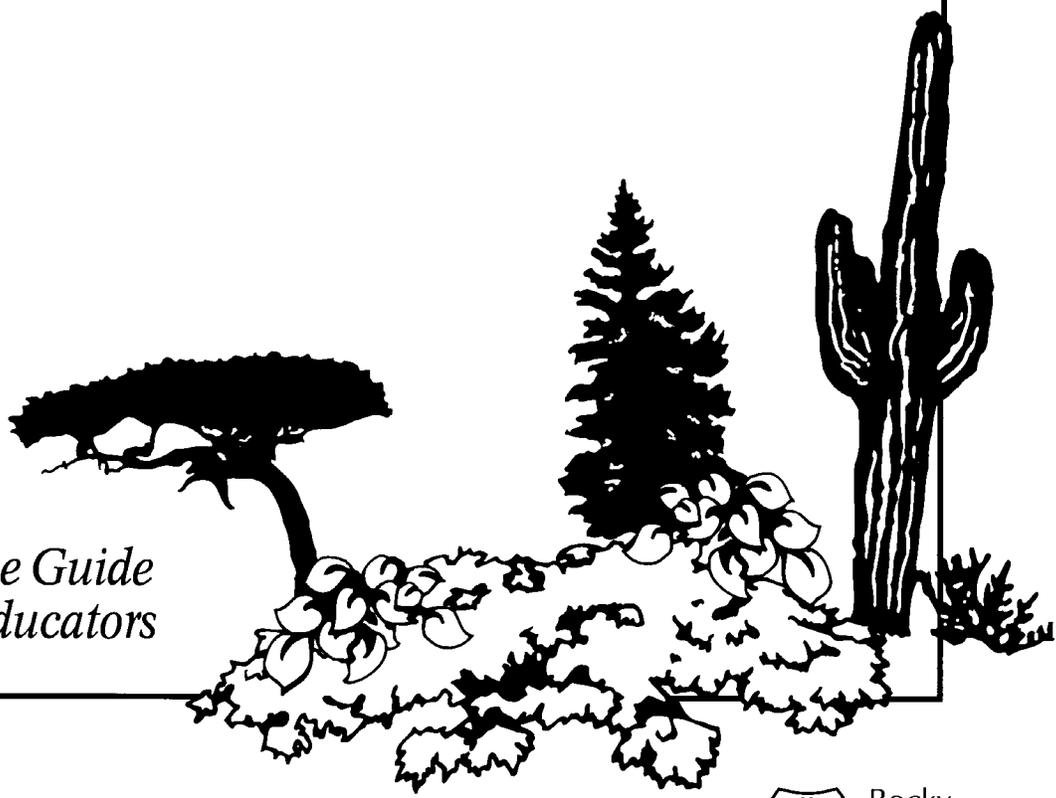


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*Activity and Resource Guide  
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***The Goal of Ecosystem Matters:***

*To provide engaging, thought-provoking, relevant, hands-on activities which help your students learn that;*

*\*Ecosystems MATTER. Sustainable ecosystems are important to all life on earth.*

*\* Ecosystems are made up of energy and MATTER, biological and physical components which interact and are self-sustaining.*

*\*People are shaped by and in turn shape ecosystems. People MATTER in ecosystem management.*

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**DEDICATION:**

*ECOSYSTEM MATTERS is dedicated to Elizabeth Estill  
USDA Rocky Mountain Regional Forester and a former  
classroom teacher. We share her vision and commitment  
toward education and the environment.*