

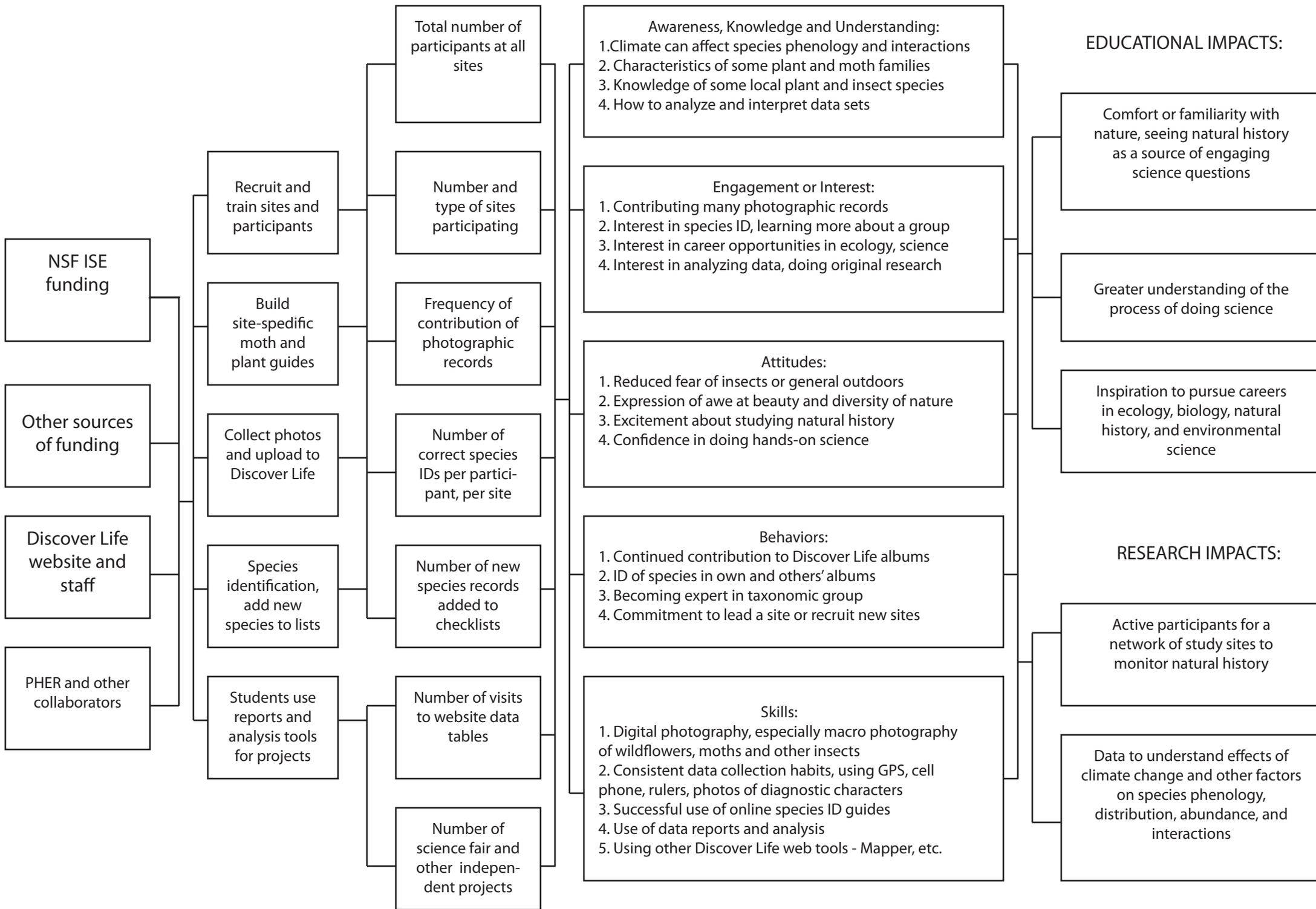
INPUTS

ACTIVITIES

OUTPUTS

OUTCOMES

STRATEGIC IMPACTS



NSF ISE funding

Other sources of funding

Discover Life website and staff

PHER and other collaborators

Recruit and train sites and participants

Build site-specific moth and plant guides

Collect photos and upload to Discover Life

Species identification, add new species to lists

Students use reports and analysis tools for projects

Total number of participants at all sites

Number and type of sites participating

Frequency of contribution of photographic records

Number of correct species IDs per participant, per site

Number of new species records added to checklists

Number of visits to website data tables

Number of science fair and other independent projects

Awareness, Knowledge and Understanding:

1. Climate can affect species phenology and interactions
2. Characteristics of some plant and moth families
3. Knowledge of some local plant and insect species
4. How to analyze and interpret data sets

Engagement or Interest:

1. Contributing many photographic records
2. Interest in species ID, learning more about a group
3. Interest in career opportunities in ecology, science
4. Interest in analyzing data, doing original research

Attitudes:

1. Reduced fear of insects or general outdoors
2. Expression of awe at beauty and diversity of nature
3. Excitement about studying natural history
4. Confidence in doing hands-on science

Behaviors:

1. Continued contribution to Discover Life albums
2. ID of species in own and others' albums
3. Becoming expert in taxonomic group
4. Commitment to lead a site or recruit new sites

Skills:

1. Digital photography, especially macro photography of wildflowers, moths and other insects
2. Consistent data collection habits, using GPS, cell phone, rulers, photos of diagnostic characters
3. Successful use of online species ID guides
4. Use of data reports and analysis
5. Using other Discover Life web tools - Mapper, etc.

EDUCATIONAL IMPACTS:

Comfort or familiarity with nature, seeing natural history as a source of engaging science questions

Greater understanding of the process of doing science

Inspiration to pursue careers in ecology, biology, natural history, and environmental science

RESEARCH IMPACTS:

Active participants for a network of study sites to monitor natural history

Data to understand effects of climate change and other factors on species phenology, distribution, abundance, and interactions