



STATE OF IOWA

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
CHUCK GIPP, DIRECTOR



PROJECT AWARE YOUTH PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Dear Parent or Guardian:

You, the undersigned, hereby authorize the following child/children (Child) to participate in Project Aware (Activity), subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Age during Activity</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

By signing this youth participation agreement, the undersigned, and any Authorized Adult Companion as described herein, agree to the following:

- The undersigned and any Authorized Adult Companion as described herein are familiar with the Activity and have been provided an opportunity to ask questions about the Activity.
- The undersigned and any Authorized Adult Companion as described herein shall direct the Child to follow all instructions provided by DNR or other sponsors of the Activity at all times while participating in the Activity.
- The undersigned and any Authorized Adult Companion as described herein shall direct the Child to maintain contact with the Activity group and/or leader at all times.
- The undersigned shall ensure the Child is dressed and equipped appropriately for the weather and conditions of the Activity.
- The undersigned or an Authorized Adult Companion as described herein shall be responsible to supervise the Child at all times during the Activity. The Authorized Adult Companion for the Child, who is at least 18 years of age, is (write "Not Applicable" if there is no Authorized Adult Companion under this Youth Participation Agreement):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
_____	_____

By signing this youth participation agreement, the undersigned and any Authorized Adult Companion as described herein acknowledge the following:

- That the Activity may include activities that may be hazardous to the Child.
- That the undersigned or an Authorized Adult Companion as described herein has the right to excuse the Child from performing any activity (ies) related to the Activity that the undersigned or an Authorized Adult Companion as described herein believes the Child is unqualified to perform or that the undersigned deems to be unsafe.
- That participation in the Activity poses some known and inherent dangers to the Child, including without limitation: bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, or property damage. The Activity is particularly dangerous due it occurring in moving water and involving the retrieval of trash; drowning, cutting or abrading skin, and exposing oneself to toxins during the Activity are realistic dangers. The Child: must be supervised at all times by the undersigned or the Authorized Adult Companion, not the DNR, identified by the undersigned; must be in a canoe with an adult; must wear a personal flotation device approved by the

U.S. Coast Guard and rated for the individual Child; must not trespass on private property; and must not handle hazardous debris.

- That the DNR does not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide financial assistance or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health, or disability insurance, in the event of injury or illness of the Child.
- That the DNR has the right to limit or bar the Child from participating in any part or all parts of the Activity for any reason.
- That, except as otherwise agreed to in writing by the DNR, DNR does not carry or maintain health, medical, or disability insurance coverage for any volunteer or participant, including the Child.

By signing this youth participation agreement, the undersigned hereby authorizes the following:

- DNR may seek medical treatment or service for the Child in connection with the Child's participation in the Activity.
- DNR shall have all right, title, and interest in any and all photographic images and video or audio recordings of the Child made by the DNR during the Child's participation in the Activity, including, but not limited to, any royalties, proceeds, or other benefits derived from such photographs or recordings.

The undersigned and any Authorized Adult Companion described herein expressly agree that this youth participation agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Iowa, and that it shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Iowa.

THE CHILD WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT THE UNDERSIGNED, WHO IS EITHER A PARENT OR GUARDIAN AND, IF APPLICABLE, AUTHORIZED ADULT COMPANION, COMPLETING THIS YOUTH PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this youth participation agreement as of the day and year written below.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Relationship to Child: _____

Authorized Adult Companion Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Authorized Adult Companion Printed Name: _____

Authorized Adult Companion Relationship to Child: _____

Return this youth participation agreement to: Project AWARE – Iowa DNR, 502 E. 9th St., Des Moines, IA 50319.

For Internal Use Only

DNR STAFF INSTRUCTIONS:

1. A youth participation agreement for minor participants must be completed for each Activity at least once each calendar year. A waiver and release is required for all non-minor participants.
2. Fax all youth participation agreements and logs to ATTN: Volunteer Program, FAX 515-281-6794.