Safe-N-Smart Fishing Plan Worksheet

Fishing Team Name: ____________________________ Class:______________ Date: ______

Fishing Guide (student name)________________________

Fishing Client (student name)________________________

Retired Boating Safety Officer (student name)________________________

Congratulations! You’re part of a 3-person “fishing team” about to embark on an angling adventure on a remote lake. Your goal is to catch some big fish while returning at the end of the trip safely without any mishaps or injuries... by developing and following your Safe-N-Smart Fishing Plan. Before developing your plan, watch the video and review the content on this webpage: http://intotheoutdoors.org/topics/safe-smart-fishing/

Next, select a cool name for your team. Then decide which of you will each assume one of these roles; 1) the fishing guide, 2) the fishing client, 3) the retired boating safety officer. Focus on your individual roles as you perform online research. For instance, the guide may explore guide related safety responsibilities while the retired boating safety officer may research Coast Guard or state requirements. Once you’ve each listed key parts of your safety plan, work together as a group to combine and develop your fishing team’s safety plan.

Consider these points when developing your plan:

- Potential weather and water conditions (select a nearby or popular lake on GoogleMaps and forecast future weather conditions on Weather.com)
- The size and type of your boat and appropriate safety gear for your crew
- Key safety points outlined on the website refined for your trip
- The fishing techniques and species you’re fishing for
- Besides a safety plan, what other things can you do to be a “responsible angler”?

Decide on one member of your team to present your team’s Safe-N-Smart Fishing plan to the class during Session 3. Your presentation should be supported by research and include some form of media (either video, poster, graphs, charts, images – see “YouTube fishing accidents” for instance).
Our Team Safe-N-Smart Fishing plan includes:

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Our plan is supported by these references (online sources)

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