**IMPORTANT:  THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT**

**Please read and understand this document before signing.  If you have any questions please ask your instructor or consult an attorney.**

**Northern Michigan University has done everything possible to assure that our participants' experience will be rewarding.  We wish to inform our participants that Landform Fun at Presque Isle is not risk free.  The same elements that contribute to the unique character and fun of the course can cause loss or damage to equipment, injury, illness, or in extreme cases, permanent trauma or death.  We do not want to heighten or reduce your enthusiasm for the experience, but we do want you to know in advance what to expect, and to be informed of some of the possible risks.  We ask that you read this, sign it, initial where indicated, and return it to your instructors.**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK**

**This program requires participation in group initiatives, games, and arts and crafts. Participants will be moving through three different stations as the program goes on. One activity will be an obstacle course that involves: balancing, stepping over objects, running from place to place, and jumping up and down. Another activity will be arts and crafts. This will involve gluing tissue paper to a plastic lid. The last activity will be an interactive study of different agents of erosion. This will involve working with water, sand, sugar cubes in trays. These activities are, by their nature, physically and mentally demanding, subjecting the participant to certain stresses and hazards, not all of which can be foreseen.**

**Accidents can occur during participation in the activity and while travelling to and from the activity area.  Participants will be holding each other in “wheelbarrow” form, (hands holding legs, hands on the ground) while trying to get from point a to point b.  Also, participants will be performing in activities that involve small obstacles to step over and balance on. As for the arts and crafts, glue holds the potential to become a hazard. Movement between different activities could result in tripping or stumbling on to the ground. This list is not an exclusive or exhaustive list of possible injuries, trauma or accidents that may occur while participating in Landform Fun at Presque Isle.  Most of these injuries are rare and you are not likely to encounter them, however, they have occurred and you need to know about them and other possible injuries not mentioned above.  These injuries occur more often when participants are using drugs (including caffeine and tobacco) or alcohol, or are not physically able to undertake the activity.**

**I certify that I am fully capable of participating in Landform Fun at Presque Isle.  I state that I have read the above statement on some of the possible risks in this course.  Therefore, I assume full responsibility for myself for bodily injury, death and loss of personal property and any expenses as a result of my negligence, negligence of other participants on the course, or the negligence of Northern Michigan University.  I also understand that Northern Michigan University reserves the right to refuse participation by any person it judges to be incapable of meeting the rigors and requirements of the course.  I certify that I am in sufficiently good health to undertake the course and that Northern Michigan University has made no representations to me with respect to my fitness to undertake this course.  I further agree to notify the instructors of any hazardous, unsafe, pertinent medical and/or health information, or injury-producing conditions, which may affect the safety of this course.**

**OVER PLEASE**

**CONTRACT, WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION**

**I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Northern Michigan University, RE 362 students, their agents and employees from all claims, damages, losses, injuries and expenses arising out of or resulting from participation in Landform Fun at Presque Isle.  I further agree to release, acquit and covenant not to sue Northern Michigan University, RE 362 students, their agents and employees for all actions, causes of action claims or damages, damages in law or remedies in equity of whatever kind, including the negligence of Northern Michigan University, RE 362 students, myself, or other participants on this course against Northern Michigan University, arising out of participation in this course.  In short, I cannot sue Northern Michigan University, RE 362 students, their agents or employees, and if I do I cannot collect any money.**

**I agree to the site of any lawsuit and the law governing any such lawsuit shall be Michigan and governed by Michigan law.  The terms of this agreement shall continue and be in effect after Landform Fun at Presque Isle has ended.**

**Any liquidated damages, I hereby agree that if Northern Michigan University or RE 362 students are forced to defend any action, lawsuit or litigation by myself, my executors, or my heirs, on my family's or my behalf, my heirs or executors, I agree to pay Northern Michigan University's or RE 362 student’s costs and attorney fees if they successfully defend such action, lawsuit or litigation.**

**IMAGE RELEASE:   By my initials, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ authorize and release to Northern Michigan University the use of my image in any photograph or video recording for any purpose of Northern Michigan University.**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION/TREATMENT:  By my initials, I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hereby give permission for transportation to any medical facility or hospital and I authorize any qualified course instructor, leader, participant, or medical personnel to render necessary emergency medical care for myself.**

**[\_\_\_\_\_]   By checking this box, I indicate that I have adequate insurance for myself.**

**I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, of my own free will, for my family,**

**(PRINT NAME)**

**my minor children, my heirs and executors and myself, have read, understand and acknowledge the risks and liability for myself this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_20\_\_\_\_.**

**SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**A copy of this release can be used as if it were an original.**

**Include the following paragraph if you are working with minors:**

**I, (parent/guardian name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, of my own free**

**(PRINT NAME)**

**will, for my family, my minor children, my heirs and executors and myself, have read, understand and acknowledge the risks and liability for my participant this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_20\_\_\_\_.**

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