

## **Western U.P. Water Trail Checklist**

**PREPARE** and **PACK** before any paddling adventure:

### **PACK**

- Bilge pump
- Cell phone in waterproof case
- Compass
- Drinking water
- Dry bag with spare set of clothing
- Energy snacks
- Extra rope
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Footwear
- GPS
- Hat
- Headlamp
- Helmet
- Maps
- Matches
- Mirror
- Personal Flotation Device (PDF)
- Rain gear
- Repair Kit with duct tape
- Rescue Gear
- River Knife
- Signaling device
- Spare paddle
- Sprayskirt
- Sunscreen (UVA and UVB)
- Tow belt
- UV eye protection
- Weather radio
- Wet suit
- Whistle

### **PREPARE**

- Assess your skill level
- Be prepared to swim
- Check weather forecast
- Determine sunset

Dress to be seen and for weather

File a float plan

Plan trip considering route, length, time and speed