



# Somenos Marsh WILDLIFE SOCIETY

*Stewards of the S'amunu/Somenos Watershed*

## Volunteer Application

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Areas of interest (please check all that apply)

- Ecological Restoration
- Water Quality Research
- Facilities Support
- Salmon Watch Program
- Other: specify \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver Signed?** (See other side)

### Privacy Policy:

We will not share, trade, sell, or otherwise disclose your name or any other information about you with, or to, anyone

*Thanks so much for signing up as a volunteer  
Helping to restore the S'amunu/Somenos Watershed.  
Learn more about our work and activities at:  
[www.somenosmarsh.com](http://www.somenosmarsh.com) & [www.wildwingsfestival.com](http://www.wildwingsfestival.com)*

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**Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims and Indemnity Agreement**

**BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL BE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE**

1. The Somenos Marsh Wildlife Society (“SMWS”) including its directors, officers, members, employees, volunteers, participants, agents and representatives are **NOT RESPONSIBLE** for any injury, personal injury, damage, property damage, expense, loss of income, or loss of any kind suffered by a Participant during, or as a result of participating in, any program, activity or event (the “Activities”), caused in any manner whatsoever, including, but not limited to, the negligence of SMWS.

2. I am participating voluntarily in Activities of SMWS and in consideration of that participation **I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE** that I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with or related to such Activities. The risks, dangers and hazards may include, but are not limited to:

- \* Field trips, outings and nature walks, wildlife monitoring, counting and watching;
- \* Travel to and from field sites for Activities while operating or riding in human-powered crafts, power-driven vessels and motorized vehicles;
- \* Water quality monitoring exercises and water quality equipment maintenance;
- \* Planting of vegetation, invasive species removal and management or restoration programs;
- \* Animal attacks, including but not limited to attacks from birds, reptiles, bears and cougars;
- \* Bites from insects, including ticks;
- \* Contraction of a zoonosis (an infectious disease caused by bacteria, viruses or parasites that spread between wildlife and humans) including but not limited to Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome, Salmonella, Swine Influenza (H3N2), Rabies, COVID-19;
- \* Road clean up, infrastructure building, restoration and trail maintenance;
- \* Failure of any piece of equipment, tool or personal protective equipment (PPE) or failure to properly use such equipment or tools;
- \* Adverse weather conditions, which may result in heatstroke, sunstroke, hypothermia, hyperthermia, frostbite or sunburn;
- \* Falling caused by uneven terrain, including but not limited to slippery, wet, steep or irregular terrain and surfaces;
- \* Falling into the water while participating in monitoring exercises, volunteer work parties, field trips, nature outings or other water type activities, or by any failure of tools, equipment or PPE used during such events.

3. In consideration of SMWS allowing me to participate, **I AGREE:**

- \* To assume all risks arising out of, associated with or resulting from my participation;
- \* To waive any and all claims that I may have now or in the future against SMWS;
- \* To freely accept and fully assume all risks and possibility of personal injury, death, property damage, expense and related loss, including loss of income that may result from my participation, including but not limited to, any of the above listed activities;
- \* To forever release SMWS from any and all liability for any and all claims, demands, actions and costs arising out of my participation in the Activities of SMWS, due to any cause whatsoever, even though such risks, injuries, loss, damage, claims, demands, actions, or costs may have been caused by the negligence or breach of any duty of care by SMWS.

**I acknowledge that I have READ and UNDERSTOOD this agreement, that I have signed voluntarily and that this agreement is binding on me, my heirs, executors, administrators and representatives.**

**If the participant is a minor (under 19 years of age), his/her parent or legal guardian must also sign this *Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims and Indemnity Agreement* to acknowledge their agreement to such assumption of risk, waiver and release on behalf of such minor.**

**Name of Participant (print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Parent or Guardian (print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of participant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent or Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:**

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