



WOODLAND HILLS ROCK CHIPPERS, INC.
(A Member of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies)
Educational 501c3 Nonprofit Tax Exempt Organizations

INFORMED CONSENT/ASSUMPTION OF RISK/WAIVER OF LIABILITY
For Woodland Hills Rock Chippers, Inc. Field Trips and Activities

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____
No. and Street City State Zip Code

Please read the following information before beginning the field trip or activity. Sign and date this form to acknowledge that you have read and understand the information presented below.

I understand that the field trips or activities that I am participating in, of the above named Society, may include one or more of the following hazards that may result in personal harm.

Unpredictable and Dangerous Environmental Conditions/Hazards including, but not limited to, snow, rain, wind, very cold and very hot temperatures, lightening, altitude, loose rock, falling rock, rock slides, avalanche, river hazards, mud slides, mud, ice, other slippery conditions and contact with poisonous reptiles, wild fauna and toxic plants. _____ (Initial).

I understand the risks inherent in all outdoor activities (including high altitude activities) existing in the environment, either natural or man-made. _____ (Initial)

I understand that I am required to use appropriate safety equipment pertinent to the field trip or activity in which I will be participating. I accept full responsibility for my actions and accept liability for any resulting damages or injuries. _____ (Initial)

By participating, I am assuming the risks inherent in these field trips or activities and am releasing the above named societies, their officers, directors and individual members, from any liability for claims or lawsuits by the undersigned participant, his or her heirs or assignees, arising out of these field trips or activities. I have read all of the aforementioned information and the AFMS Code of Ethics attached hereto and understand any and all of it. Additionally, I agree to recognize the authority of and cooperate with the appointed Field Trip Leader and those in designated authority. Any questions which have occurred to me have been answered to my satisfaction. I am participating in these activities of my own free choice.

If the participant is under 18 years of age, this form must be read and signed by a parent or legal guardian before participating in these field trips or activities.

Signature of Participant Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian Date



A large measure of the enjoyment of our hobby consists of collecting in the field. For that reason, the members are proud to endorse the following:

"Code of Ethics"

-  I will respect both private and public property and will do no collecting on privately owned land without permission from the owner.
-  I will keep informed on all laws, regulations or rules governing collecting on public lands and will observe them.
-  I will, to the best of my ability, ascertain the boundary lines of property on which I plan to collect.
-  I will use no firearms or blasting material in collecting areas.
-  I will cause no willful damage to property of any kind such as fences, signs, buildings, etc.
-  I will leave all gates as found.
-  I will build fires only in designated or safe places and will be certain they are completely extinguished before leaving the area.
-  I will discard no burning material - matches, cigarettes, etc.
-  I will fill all excavation holes which may be dangerous to livestock.
-  I will not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.
-  I will cause no willful damage to collecting material and will take home only what I can reasonably use.
-  I will practice conservation and undertake to utilize fully and well the materials I have collected and will recycle my surplus for the pleasure and benefit of others.
-  I will support the rockhound project H.E.L.P. (Help Eliminate Litter Please) and will leave all collecting areas devoid of litter, regardless of how found.
-  I will cooperate with field-trip leaders and those in designated authority in all collecting areas.
-  I will report to my club or federation officers, Bureau of Land Management or other authorities, any deposit of petrified wood or other materials on public lands which should be protected for the enjoyment of future generations for public educational and scientific purposes.
-  I will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources.
-  I will observe the "Golden Rule", will use Good Outdoor Manners and will at all times conduct myself in a manner which will add to the stature and Public Image of Rockhounds everywhere.