

# I pledge to...

- W**alk quietly through the watershed without injuring the surroundings. listen
- A**ppreciate and not alter wildlife habitat. A dead tree trunk or hole in the ground may be home to many kinds of wildlife.
- T**ake only pictures; leave only footprints. Make observations and document evidence of wildlife, plants, and other organisms, but don't remove eggs, nests, organisms, or plants.
- E**liminate litter. Leave each site and trail in as good, or better, condition than found. Pack out all equipment and waste.
- R**espect the wilderness, other people's experience, and the private property we are on.
- S**tay on the trails and paths to reduce the impact of our presence on the site.
- H**elp minimize the impacts on the stream and wetland, and their fragile banks, by selecting access points that cause the least disturbance.
- E**nter the water in the stream or wetland only if assigned a task that requires it.
- D**isturb wildlife as little as possible. I won't get too close, or scare creatures.
- P**ut rocks and woody debris, from the stream or the site, back where they were found, once they have been inspected.
- L**earn when local fish spawn and emerge from the gravel, so as not to disturb them at those times.
- E**xplore the site carefully, and follow all safety procedures.
- D**ress for the weather.
- G**o to the bathroom before each field trip. Not there!
- E**njoy nature and encourage others to do the same.