Flint River Paddles Program

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Rediscover the Flint River in a Kayak or Canoe

- Flint River Paddles Program
- Guided paddles process
- Questions

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FRWC Paddles Program
in partnership with the Genesee County Drain Commissioner’s “Our Water” Program

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2016 - Average of four paddles per month from May – Sept. Does not include private paddles.

Quite often we provide a user with their first experience ON the river.

• Safe
• More educated
• Stronger connection

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Pre-paddles Scouts
• Trial runs conducted on areas known to have blockages and after large rain events
  – we will not promote a paddle if it is not safe
  – Trash removal, access site check
• Promotion
  – Newsletters
  – Facebook - post details, shared by followers/organizations
  – Paddlers Email List
  – Word of mouth, Meetup

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Rentals
• We have 16 kayaks (with PFD) for rent - $15 ($10 if you bring your own)
  – Cost covers guide, shuttling, ACA event insurance, individual snack & water, sunscreen, & bug spray
    • Additional proceeds flow right back into the program
  – New for 2016, belt style PFD’s

Partners
• Good Ol’ Redbeard’s – only canoe livery in the FRW
• Genesee County Parks
• Flint River Corridor Alliance, Sierra Club, Six Rivers Regional Land Conservancy
• Flint River Obstruction Removal (F.R.O.G.) & assistance from DNR
Questions?

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