Our rivers and streams offer wonderful opportunities for recreation, from kayaking and canoeing to fishing and wildlife watching. But it’s important to learn how to enjoy them safely. Review the information on the reverse side to make sure your next outing on the Great Miami River is a safe and fun adventure.
Playing It Safe

Low Dams and Waterfalls

Low dams—like natural waterfalls—are drop-offs that can be incredibly deception. Low dams may range from a 25-foot drop-off to as few as 6-foot drop-off. Water flowing over the drop forms currents that can be incredibly dangerous. The drop and surrounding currents can transport even a strong swimmer. To avoid hazards and make it more difficult to reach the water, Paddlers should never boat on a stream with water that wicks moisture away and retain heat, such as plastic, polyurethane, foam, and vinyl. Never throw garbage into the water. Paddling alone is not a reason to neglect wearing a life jacket.