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Dear Student Researchers,

Hi! My name is Dave Freeman. I'm leading this kayak expedition around Lake Superior. Amy Voytilla and I are leaving from Grand Marais, MN and we will paddle over 1,100 miles around Lake Superior, the largest lake in the entire world! We will leave Grand Marais on August 30th, and plan to finish around October 31st. That's a long time, and we are going to need your help!

Many people ask how we are able to camp in the woods for months at a time. They say that it must be very hard, and they wonder how we can do it. In reality, the thought and planning that goes into a project like this is often harder than the actual adventure. We have been planning for over a year for the Superior Waters Project, since July of 2005. It is the time and effort put in *before* we leave that allows us to have a safe and enjoyable time during our journey.

You and your class will play an important role in this adventure. We will contact you while we are gone and rely on the work you do in your classrooms to help guide our journey. Ask questions and research! Let us know if there are any dangers we may have missed in our planning. Ask lots and LOTS of questions! We are going to learn so much while we are gone and, like all good adventurers, we will share what we discover with our colleagues. You are a partner!

Learning about the area and careful planning are the most important parts of a successful adventure. **This is where we need you!** We need students like you to learn about water conservation and help us make decisions that will keep us safe as we explore the great lakes. So log on to our website and we'll keep in touch!

Keep Exploring,



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