

The Whale Foundation
GTS Presentation – March 25, 2006
Questionnaire

Issues of mutual respect (sexual misconduct) and safety (intimidation) have been brought before the Whale Foundation and the river community. Your response to the following brief questionnaire would greatly help us understand the level of concerns regarding these issues. We can then develop training focusing on the issues you feel need to be addressed. Thank you for sharing your experiences and taking the time to complete the questionnaire.

PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON THIS QUESTIONNAIRE.

Please fold this survey and drop it in the box our volunteer is passing around or on one of the Whale Foundation tables. You can also mail your completed survey to: The Whale Foundation; PO Box 855; Flagstaff, AZ 86002. (We have provided addressed/stamped envelopes at the WF table for your use.) After we compile the survey results, we will publish the information on the Whale Foundation website and in our regular BQR column.

Thanks for your concern about the river community's health and wellness!
The Health Services Committee
The Whale Foundation

Please mark the appropriate box following each question:

Gender of the person filling out this questionnaire: Male Female

- I. Do you believe the working climate on the river is becoming less respectful? Yes ___ No ___
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- II. At the present time, do you have concern about any of the following issues involving any persons on the river?

Sexual harassment: Yes ___ No ___
Sexual intimidation or hazing: Yes ___ No ___
Sexual or physical assault: Yes ___ No ___

These concerns involve (check all that apply):

Staff with Client	_____	Adults with Minors	_____
Client with Client	_____	Same sex with same sex	_____
Staff with Staff	_____		

- III. If you witness disrespectful behavior on the river, what are your thoughts and beliefs about intervention?

I would intervene **only** in extreme circumstances. Yes ___ No ___
(Example: A desperate cry for help. An imminent threat to life and physical safety.)

In less extreme circumstances, would you feel at risk for censure or retaliation from other staff on the trip? Yes ___ No ___

Have you in fact ever tried to intervene? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, were you supported by the other guides? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, were you supported by the trip leader? Yes ___ No ___

IV. After completion of a trip, have you ever reported your concerns about these issues of disrespect to your company? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, were you supported? Yes ___ No ___

Were there consequences to your career? Yes ___ No ___

Please note below or on a separate sheet: _____

V. Have you personally felt unsafe on the river in regard to any of the following events?

Sexual harassment: Yes ___ No ___

Sexual intimidation or hazing: Yes ___ No ___

Sexual or physical assault: Yes ___ No ___

Did you feel that you had support of other guides to keep you safe? Yes ___ No ___

Did you feel that you could report your concerns to your company? Yes ___ No ___

VI. The Whale Foundation will offer a fall workshop focusing on mutual respect issues.

Would you be interested in attending? Yes ___ No ___

Do you have other additional suggestions on this subject for the Whale Foundation? _____

VII. Please list any other specific topics that you would like the Whale Foundation staff to concentrate upon or skills that you would like to acquire. _____

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE IS ANONYMOUS.

If you would like to speak with a health professional about this issue or other life challenges, please call the Whale Foundation helpline: 773-0773 or toll free 866-773-0773.

ACCORDING TO LAW, OUR HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDERS MAINTAIN STRICT CONFIDENTIALITY.

Our website (www.whalefoundation.org) also provides mental and physical health articles plus information about the Whale Foundation and all of our services. Thanks, again!

Whale Foundation Mission Statement

In loving remembrance of Curtis "Whale" Hansen, the Whale Foundation provides confidential access to mental and physical health care professionals and a network of support services designed to restore, promote and celebrate the well being of the Grand Canyon River Guiding Community.

We wish to thank the Grand Canyon Conservation Fund for supporting our outreach and educational efforts.