## **Preliminary Information**

## **Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) Canoe Camping Trip**

**Overview:** Three (3) days and two (2) nights of canoeing and camping in the BWCAW plus a night of camping at a US Forest Service campground upon arrival. This is a wilderness camping trip with few creature comforts. Travel two (2) people each in 18.5 ft long Kevlar canoes with camping gear, portaging from lake to lake. To portage you must be able to carry a canoe (42 lbs) or backpack over rough trails of varying lengths (average maybe a couple hundred meters) and navigate by map and compass along a route of your choosing.

You will camp at designated primitive campsites (fire pit with grate and pit toilet) indicated on maps. If it is sunny, it is glorious; if it is raining, it is wet. Experience nature at its best. Memories of a lifetime are guaranteed!! No whiners allowed.

**Where:** The BWCAW is located in northeastern Minnesota along the border with Ontario, Canada.

**When:** Leave the Crowne Plaza St. Paul Riverfront in St. Paul for BWCAW on Wednesday morning, September 6. **Please note:** The conference hotel rate will be available at the Crowne Plaza Tuesday night, but it is **not** included in excursion fee. Bell service for your luggage storage will be available at the Crowne Plaza while you are gone.

You will camp Wednesday night at a campground near BWCAW entrances. We ll'be on the water Thursday morning, camp in BWCAW Thursday and Friday nights, and come back out Saturday by 1:00 pm. The tour will return to St. Paul Saturday evening, September 9.

**What is Included:** This is a fully outfitted trip with all transportation and gear included. Meals are included during the actual canoeing portion of the trip.

**What is NOT Included:** Meals on Wednesday and after your return from the BWCAW on Saturday. Personal items such as clothes and toiletries.

**Additional Information or Questions:** Final information such exact pickup time and location on Wednesday, complete list of items provided by outfitter, meal choices, etc. will be emailed to all participants at least one month before the conference. If you have questions please contact Tyler Beck at Tyler@ParticleInstruments.com or +1 612-328-2722.