

**The Friends of the Boyne River** needs your help taking measurements of our river's water height and temperature! It's easy and we've issued a **Citizen Scientist Challenge**.

Through collaboration with a team of university scientists and funding from the National Science Foundation, five gauges were installed along the river. We need the public to walk along the river, find the gauges and text the measurements to a supercomputer at the University at Buffalo. The data creates a historical record of the river, and if enough people participate, it may be used as a model to predict river conditions worldwide. **We need 2,000 more texts this summer to create a viable data base.**

*Grab your friends, family and a cell phone* - and use the attached map to find the gauges. **Text often** – river conditions can change hourly.

Show a selfie/photo of yourself texting at three of the five gauges to Boyne Area Chamber of Commerce staff: **Earn a Citizen Scientist prize.**

Maps are also available at the Boyne Area Chamber office (28 S. Lake St., Boyne City), Old City Park kayak take out, the Boyne River Nature Area (off Moll Drive in the M-75 business park), and on our website *boyneriver.org*.

Additionally, find gauges in the river at:

Old City Park: watercraft take out

Boyne River Nature Area: boardwalk #1

Dam Road Crossing: downstream on the west side of the road

Boyne Mountain Road Crossing: entrance to Boyne Mt off US131

At Springbrook Road's wooden bridge: south off Thumb Lake Road