

Unit 7: Document Set: 5
Floods and Blizzards

Activity: Oral History Project

The Plan

Title of Project: _____

Topic: _____

Date of Event: _____

Prospective Interview subjects:

| Name | Address | Phone No. | Accepted? |
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Officials to Interview

Prospective Archives

| Title | Director's Name | Email Address | Phone |
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Permission Form (also called Gift Agreement)

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

I hereby agree to participate in an interview in connection with the Oral History Project known as _____ . I understand that I will be asked about _____ .

I understand that my interview will be recorded/video-recorded (circle one) and placed in _____ (name of archive) for use in historical research.

_____ Interviewee Signature

_____ Interviewer Signature

_____ Date

The Interview

Date: _____

Name of Interviewer: _____

Name of Interviewee: _____

Birth Date of Interviewee: _____

Location of Interview: _____

Date and Location of Event (subject of interview): _____

Questions: You can think about and discuss with your group the appropriate questions.

These might include:

Where did you live when the event happened?

How old were you?

Did you know the [blizzard, flood, tornado, etc] was coming?

How did you prepare?

Who was with you?

What happened? [be sure to get specific dates, names, places]

What was the outcome? Did this event change your life in some way?

If the person was an official, you might ask:

What was your title?

What was your role?

Who helped you?

What happened?

How did you respond?

What was the outcome? Did this event change your town or your job in some way?