



NOC & American Whitewater Present *DamNation* Film Screening *August 16 at 8:30 p.m. at Nantahala Outdoor Center Near Bryson City, NC*

Bryson City, N.C. (July 18, 2014)— Produced by Patagonia, *DamNation* is a documentary film that addresses America's changing philosophies around dam construction and removal in relation to the life and health of our nation's rivers. Nantahala Outdoor Center (NOC) and American Whitewater partner to present the film at NOC's main campus on the Nantahala River near Bryson City, NC, on Saturday, August 16, at 8:30 p.m.

"DamNation's majestic cinematography and unexpected discoveries move through rivers and landscapes altered by dams, but also through a metamorphosis in values, from conquest of the natural world to knowing ourselves as part of nature." —cited from www.damnationfilm.com.

The film is part of a nationwide tour with showings in 23 cities, and has received much acclaim, including these awards:

- Documentary Award for Environmental Advocacy 2014, Environmental Film Festival in the Nation's Capital
- MountainFilm Audience Choice Award 2014
- Best Conservation Film 2014, International Wildlife Film Festival
- Grand Jury Prize and Audience Choice 2014, Environmental Film Festival at Yale
- People's Choice and Best Feature Film 2014, Green Film Festival in Seoul
- Best Feature Award 2014, San Francisco Green Film Festival

The showing in Bryson City will follow NOC's Canoe Club Challenge, an all-day community whitewater event beginning at 11:00 a.m. on the Nantahala River. Viewers are encouraged to arrive early and participate in downriver and slalom races, as well as family-friendly games and activities. For more information about this event, visit www.noc.com/events.

For more information about the movie and to see a trailer, visit www.damnationfilm.com.