Lightning Safety: Lightning step leader If it is not possible to get off the water due to high or muddy banks, or thick brush, then Lightning streamers • paddle into the "Zone of Lesser Probability". Paddling into a "Zone of Lesser Probability" When a leader and a streamer does not guarantee that you will not be meet and the struck by a bolt of lightning directly. current flows Lightning step leader (the strike), the lightning can fall on air around the The streamer that you. strike becomes the step leader extremely hot so reaches is not ZONE that it explodes necessarily the (thunder). OF LESSER closest streamer PROBABILITY to the cloud. Lightning streamers When lightning strikes a Getting off the water and onto live tree. Safer Area Current from a lightning shore without an available lightning water in the strike travels down the protected building or a vehicle to trunk of a tree and dissipates trunk expands take shelter in, or a grove of trees along the ground and through of even heights to go to, may be and splits the the water - do not get close to more dangerous than remaining in tree trunk. a tall tree on the shore! the boat in this zone.