

News Release

Government of Nunavut announces Environment Week and Clean Air Day

IQALUIT, Nunavut (June 5, 2000) – Sustainable Development Minister Peter Kilabuk announces the commencement of Environment Week and Clean Air Day in Nunavut.

Environment Week extends from June 4 until June 10, 2000. Nunavut Clean Air Day is Wednesday June 7 and will be celebrated annually on the Wednesday of Environment Week. This year's theme is *Community Action on Clean Air and Climate Change*.

"During this week we should do something to protect or enhance our environment," Minister Kilabuk said. "It is the dedication of people working in their communities that makes it possible to address large issues such as climate change, air and water pollution and the challenges that face our natural habitat."

Minister Kilabuk encourages all Nunavummiut to participate in Environment Week and celebrate Clean Air Day.

Environment Week is an opportunity to celebrate your community's progress on environmental issues and inspire others to get involved and take action. Suggested activities include:

- Turning off lights when they are not needed,
- Organizing a neighbourhood clean-up day,
- Walking instead of using a fuel-powered vehicle,
- Avoiding idling your vehicle,
- Picking up any garbage when you are out on the land, or
- Checking your home or office for ways of reducing energy.

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