News Release

Canada Water Week

IQALUIT, Nunavut (March 19, 2012) – It's time to celebrate, conserve and protect Nunavut's fresh waterways during Canada Water Week from March 19-25! This year's theme is "Discover Your Water Footprint".

"I invite all Nunavummiut to celebrate and protect our fresh water during Canada Water Week. Our fresh waterways play an important role in sustaining our wildlife and land," said Minister Arreak. "Nunavut's heritage rivers and other special places provide prime hunting and fishing grounds and many communities depend on nearby freshwater lakes for their municipal water source."

Canada Water Week is recognized annually and coincides with World Water Day on March 22.To help keep our waters clean and pure, please bring excess fuel and garbage back to town for safe and proper disposal. To find out how to safely dispose of all hazardous household waste, such as paints, cleaning solvents and batteries, please contact your local landfill site.

Remember!

- If you dump waste on the ground, it will end up in our waters!
- If you see illegal dumping, report it!
- When you keep communities clean, you also keep our waters clean!

For more information about Canada Water Week and to learn ways you can reduce your carbon footprint, please visit http://canadawaterweek.com.

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