

Need a Source? Great Lakes Charter Annex Agreements

The Great Lakes States and Provinces are releasing new drafts of the Great Lakes Charter Annex Agreements on June 30, 2005. What progress have negotiators made over the last year? What will these Agreements mean for Ontario and the long-term protection of the waters of the Great Lakes?

Sarah Miller, Water Researcher, Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) and **Rob Wright, Managing Lawyer, Toronto Sierra Legal Defence Fund** will be attending Ontario Minister of Natural Resources David Ramsay's news conference releasing the new drafts of the Great Lakes Charter Annex Agreements. Both would be happy to provide in-person interviews. Later in the day they will be available at the numbers below.

Location: Thursday June 30, 2005 (10:00 am)
Queen's Park Media Studio.

John Jackson, Board Member of Great Lakes United will be available all day at the contact below.

All three groups have a long history of protecting the Great Lakes through laws, policy and enforcement. They have all been on Ontario's Great Lakes Charter Advisory Panel that advised the government on their negotiating positions. This Panel was established after there was strong public objections to the first drafts of the Agreements in July 2004.

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