

# RESOURCE KIT SARNIA, ONTARIO



Created as part of the “Environmental Health, Equity and Law:  
Making the Links” Project



# INTRODUCTION

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This Resource Kit for Sarnia, Ontario was created as part of the “Environmental Health, Equity, and Law: Making the Links” Project (the “Making the Links” project).

This Resource Kit is a compilation of environmental health and legal information relevant to environmental health issues identified as areas of concern in Sarnia, Ontario. All of the below listed resources include a link or citation, and the contents will be added to and updated as needed. While the Resource was developed especially for Sarnia, Ontario, much of the content is applicable and relevant to other communities.

***Disclaimer: The contents of this Resource Kit are accurate as of the day it is published. It is meant as a source of information, and none of what follows should be taken as legal advice.***

## WHO IS CELA?

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The Canadian Environmental Law Association (“CELA”) is a non profit public interest organization, established in 1970. CELA uses existing laws to protect the environment advocates for environmental law reform. CELA’s work focuses on four main environmental issues – these are water sustainability, green energy, sustainable land use, and pollution and health, with a particular focus on children’s health.

CELA is also a legal aid clinic and acts at tribunal hearings and in courts on behalf of low-income individuals, citizen groups, and not-for-profit organizations that otherwise would not be able to afford legal assistance. As a legal aid clinic, CELA is funded by Legal Aid Ontario and is part of a larger system of community legal clinics in Ontario.

You can access CELA’s website by clicking: <http://www.cela.ca/> If you would like to contact CELA for summary advice or information, you can contact the articling student for a preliminary intake interview at 416-960-2284, ext.216 or via email at [articling@cela.ca](mailto:articling@cela.ca).

## WHO IS EHI CANADA?

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The Environmental Health Institute of Canada (“EHI Canada”) is a charitable foundation with a vision for enhancing and coordinating efforts at various levels to learn about, prevent, and manage chronic environment-associated illnesses, as well as to understand their underlying mechanisms. EHI Canada was founded by healthcare professionals who recognized that protecting Ontarians and Canadians from environmental hazards requires

a collaborative effort with many key players. In partnership with such key players, EHI Canada intends to implement ongoing programs to address the multiple research, educational, and front-line clinical and community environmental health needs.

You can access EHI Canada's website by clicking: <http://ehicanada.com/index.htm> You can contact EHI Canada by email: [info@ehicanada.ca](mailto:info@ehicanada.ca)

## **WHAT IS THE LAW FOUNDATION OF ONTARIO?**

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The Law Foundation of Ontario (LFO) is a grant-making organization that promotes and enhances justice for all Ontarians. To learn more about the LFO click:

<http://www.lawfoundation.on.ca/>

## **WHAT IS THE “MAKING THE LINKS” PROJECT?**

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The “Making the Links” project was a three year interdisciplinary outreach program led by the Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) and the Environmental Health Institute of Canada (EHI Canada) with funding from the Law Foundation of Ontario (LFO). The project focused on environmental law and access to justice issues in six Ontario communities. Each community identified – Kenora, Hamilton, Brantford, Cornwall, Windsor and Sarnia – possessed a high pollution burden and incidence of environmental health issues, as well as a high percentage of low income and vulnerable populations.

During the course of the project, our activities were focused on the objectives of increasing community environmental health, promoting engagement in the legal system; enhancing community knowledge of environmental laws and available legal tools; facilitating the sharing of information between the health and legal sectors; and improving the capacity of frontline environmental groups and legal and health service providers to protect their constituents from environmental threats to health.

All of the presentations and resources created throughout the course of the three year Making the Links Project will be posted on our website by early January 2012:

<http://www.cela.ca/collections/justice/environmental-health-equity-and-law-making-links>.

## **WHO IS THIS RESOURCE KIT FOR?**

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Users may come from a wide range of experience and organizations, and may include:

- Staff or community members who provide services to their community in various disciplines, including medical and legal services
- Individuals who are actively involved in environmental and health campaigns in their community
- Community members who want to become involved in the environmental decision-making processes in their community

## **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE RESOURCE KIT?**

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The overall goal of this Resource Kit is to:

- Raise awareness about the issue of environmental equity
- Provide up to date information on a number of environmental health issues
- Provide information about environmental law and the legal tools available to the public
- Encourage community groups to become involved in environmental decision making in their community
- Support groups and individuals that work on issues of environmental equity and environmental health in their community

# FAQs & DIRECTORY

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## **1. How do I find existing information in my community regarding environmental health?**

A great deal of information is being gathered about environmental health in Sarnia. Please refer to the attached presentations and reports to learn more about environmental health in your community.

Topics covered in this Resource Kit for Sarnia include: public participation in environmental decision making, Brownfield regulation, chronic pollution, impacts of pollution on human health, cumulative air emissions in Sarnia, environmental health of neighbouring First Nations communities, community profiles and much more.

An additional resource prepared in the course of the Making the Links project provides a summary of several environmental health issues and opportunities for public engagement in the environmental decision-making process. You can access the Toolkit online: <http://www.cela.ca/collections/justice/making-links-environmental-health-equity-and-law>

## **2. How do I find out about air pollution in my community?**

There are a number of ways you can find out more information about air pollution in your community. Please refer to the presentation listed below, titled “Accessing NPRI and Pollution Watch Data” for information on how to find information on pollution data. See also the presentation listed below, titled “Healthy Spaces in Sarnia: Community and Work Environments” for information about accessing pollution data, and using the *Environmental Bill of Rights*.

The following links may also be helpful:

Pollution Watch: <http://www.pollutionwatch.org/>

National Pollutant Release Inventory: <http://www.ec.gc.ca/inrp-npri/default.asp?lang=en>

## **3. How can I get involved in environmental decision making in my community?**

There are a number of simple ways in which you can get involved in environmental decision making in Sarnia, without spending a lot of money.

Please refer to our presentation listed below, titled “Opportunities for Public Engagement in Environmental Health Issues: A Federal, Provincial and Municipal Perspective” for an overview of opportunities under federal, provincial and municipal legislation. See also “Healthy Spaces in Sarnia: Community and Work Environments” for information about how to use the *Environmental Bill of Rights* as well as how to engage in the freedom of information process, the environmental assessment process, and municipal planning decisions.

#### **4. How can I find out who else is interested in the issues of environmental health and environmental justice in my community?**

There are many active organizations working in the Sarnia interested in the issues of environmental health and justice, including the following:

Toxic Free Canada - <http://www.toxicfreecanada.ca/>

Community Legal Assistance Sarnia - <http://sarnialegalclinic.com/>  
Environmental Health and Prevention Services, County of Lambton Community

Health Services Department - <http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/>

Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers - <http://www.ohcow.on.ca/>

Victims of Chemical Valley – Contact: Barb Millitt, email: [barbmillitt@sympatico.ca](mailto:barbmillitt@sympatico.ca)

Sarnia & District Labour Council - <http://windsorsex.cioc.ca/record/LAM1713>

Sarnia and Region Environmental Networking Exchange - <http://www.sarene.ca/>

Community Health Study Board – Jim Burns, Chair, Health Study Board of Directors  
Telephone: 519 845-0801, Email: [jim.burns@county-lambton.on.ca](mailto:jim.burns@county-lambton.on.ca)

See also: <http://www.sarene.ca/directory.html>

#### **5. What are the key environmental issues regarding environmental health in my community?**

Following extensive consultation with community members about issues of local concern, the following were identified as environmental health concerns in Sarnia:

- Industrial Air Emissions: high concentration of air pollution from local facilities, as well as American facilities

- Air Pollution from Highway 402: proposal to expand the highway is very contentious
- Provincial Environmental Approvals Process: concerns that the current process is inadequate for areas, such as Sarnia, which have over-saturated air sheds
- Water Quality: concerns related to those regarding air emissions; additional concerns regarding spills and lack of related disclosure
- Brownfields: Welland Chemical site located near Aamjiwnaang First Nation is particularly contentious
  - i. Please refer to our presentations listed below for information regarding brownfield regulation and redevelopment in Ontario. Please note that the presentation titled “Brownfield Redevelopment in Sarnia” outlines brownfield redevelopment in Sarnia specifically.

## **6. How can I gather more information regarding environmental health and environmental justice in Sarnia?**

This resource kit has been created to allow you easy access to information about environmental health in Sarnia. This kit will continue to be updated.

You may also want to see the Toolkit prepared in the course of the Making the Links project: <http://www.cela.ca/collections/justice/making-links-environmental-health-equity-and-law>

## **7. What groups are considering environmental justice and environmental health on a province wide basis?**

- Canadian Environmental Law Association – [www.cela.ca](http://www.cela.ca)
- Canadian Partnership for Children’s Health and the Environment - <http://www.healthyenvironmentforkids.ca/>
- Environmental Health Institute of Canada - <http://ehicanada.com/>
- Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers - <http://www.ohcow.on.ca/>
- Legal Aid Ontario – [www.lao.on.ca](http://www.lao.on.ca)

# RESOURCES

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Presentation: “**Introduction to the *Making the Links Project***” by Kaitlyn Mitchell of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, June 3, 2009 –  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/IntroMakingLinksYearOne.pdf>

Presentation: “**Building Awareness and Capacity of Occupational Health in the Health Care System**”, by Alec Farquhar, of the Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers March 23, 2009 –  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/AWARENESS%20OF%20OCC%20HEALTH%20IN%20H%20CARE.pdf>

Presentation: “**Public Health and Environmental Hazards**” by Theresa McClenaghan of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, June 11, 2009 -  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/PublicHealth%20and%20EnviroHazards%20Legislation.pdf>

Presentation: “**Environmental Inequities in Canada: The Double Burden of Pollution and Poverty**” by Kaitlyn Mitchell of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 16, 2009 -  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/EnviroInequitiesPresentation.pdf>

Presentation: “**Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals**” by Janelle Witzel of Environmental Defence, December 1, 2009 –  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Endocrine%20Disrupting%20Chemicals%20%28Slides%29.pdf>

Presentation: “**Cancer and Environmental Chemicals: Why is there Concern?**” by Eric Holowaty of Cancer Care Ontario, December 3, 2009 –  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/EDCs%20and%20Cancer%20-%20by%20Eric%20Holowaty.pdf>

Presentation: “**Societal Costs of Exposure to Toxic Chemicals**” by Tom Muir, December 3, 2009 – <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/SocietalcostsPresentation.pdf>

Presentation: “**Healthy Spaces in Sarnia: Community and Work Environments**”, by Kaitlyn Mitchell of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, December 15, 2009 -  
<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Healthy%20Spaces%20in%20Sarnia.pdf>

Presentation: “**Some Public Health Resources for the Great Lakes St. Lawrence River Ecosystem**”, by Sarah Miller of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, (2010)-



<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/ResourcesGreatLakesSt%20LawrenceEcosystem.pdf>

Presentation: “**Governance – Sub-national Players in an International Context**”, by Theresa McClenaghan of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, May 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/GovernanceMay2010.pdf>

Presentation: “**Pollution and Poverty in the Great Lakes River Basin: Making the Links between Environmental Health, Equity and Law**”, by Theresa McClenaghan and Renee Griffin of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, May 6, 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/PollutionPovertyGLRiverBasin.pdf>

Presentation: “**Clean Up Your “Act”**: Understanding Brownfield Regulation in Ontario”, by Ramani Nadarajah of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, July 29, 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Sarnia%20Brownfield%20Presentation%20-%20Clean%20Up%20Your%20Act%202010%20-%20Making%20the%20Links.pdf>

Presentation: “**Brownfield Redevelopment in Sarnia**”, by Renee Griffin of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, July 29, 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Brownfield%20Redevelopment%20in%20Sarnia%202010%20-%20Making%20the%20Links.pdf>

Presentation: “**Opportunities for Public Engagement in Environmental Health Issues: A Federal, Provincial and Municipal Perspective**” by Ramani Nadarajah of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 2010 – [http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Opportunities%20for%20Public%20Engagement-final\\_Sarnia%202010%20%28RN%29.pdf](http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Opportunities%20for%20Public%20Engagement-final_Sarnia%202010%20%28RN%29.pdf)

Presentation: “**Overview of Chemicals Management Framework and National Pollutant Release Inventory in Canada**” by Fe de Leon of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 17, 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Overview%20of%20CMP%20and%20NPRI%20-%20November%202010%20-%20Sarnia.pdf>

Presentation: “**Healthy Retrofits Project: Early Findings regarding Indoor Air Quality**” by Renee Griffin of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 18, 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Healthy%20Retrofit%20Project%20-%20November%202010%20-%20Sarnia.pdf>

Presentation: “**Pollution, Poverty and Environmental Justice**” by Renee Griffin of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 18, 2010 - <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Pollution%20Poverty%20and%20EJ%20-%20November%202010%20-%20Sarnia.pdf>

Presentation: “**Accessing NPRI and Pollution Watch Data**” by Renee Griffin of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, February 11, 2011 – <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/NPRI%20Presentation.pdf>

Excerpt from “**Campaign Planning Handbook**” (2011) by Rob Fairley and Mike Balkwill: <http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Campaign%20Planning%20Excerpt.pdf>

Karen Y Fung, Isaac N Luginaah, and Kevin M. Gorey, “**Impact of air pollution on hospital admissions in Southwestern Ontario, Canada: Generating hypotheses in sentinel high exposure places**” *Environmental Health* 2007, 6:18 - <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1929065/pdf/1476-069X-6-18.pdf>

Dominic Odwa Atari and Isaac N Luginaah, “**Assessing the distribution of volatile organic compounds using land use regression in Sarnia, “Chemical Valley”, Ontario, Canada**” *Environmental Health* 2009 8:16 - <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2679013/pdf/1476-069X-8-16.pdf>

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First Nations Environmental Health Innovation Network, “**Proceedings Report of Contaminants and Environmental Health: A Discussion Group for First Nations in Ontario**”, August 5, 2008, Ottawa, ON- [http://www.fnehin.ca/uploads/docs/NAHO-COO-FNEHIN\\_Workshop\\_Report\\_with\\_Appendices.pdf](http://www.fnehin.ca/uploads/docs/NAHO-COO-FNEHIN_Workshop_Report_with_Appendices.pdf)

“**A Healthy Sarnia – Lambton Community Picture Report**”, prepared by Community Health Services and Healthy Living Lambton – Healthy Communities Partnership, March 2011 [http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/cmsfiles/Community\\_Health\\_Picture\\_Report\\_MARCH\\_2011\\_WEB.pdf](http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/cmsfiles/Community_Health_Picture_Report_MARCH_2011_WEB.pdf)

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Community Health Services Department, **Lambton County 2008 Health Status Report: “Mortality and Chronic Disease”**, 2008 - [http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/cmsfiles/Mortality\\_and\\_Chronic\\_Disease\\_July\\_2008\\_Health\\_Status\\_Report.pdf](http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/cmsfiles/Mortality_and_Chronic_Disease_July_2008_Health_Status_Report.pdf)

Community Health Services Department, **Lambton County 2007 Health Status Report: “Reproductive Health”**, 2007 -  
[http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/cmsfiles/Reproductive Health Section\\_09\\_2007\\_2\\_B.pdf](http://www.lambtonhealth.on.ca/cmsfiles/Reproductive_Health_Section_09_2007_2_B.pdf)

Health System Intelligence Project, **Population Health Profile Erie St. Clair LHIN** -  
[http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/providers/information/resources/profiles/profile\\_eriestclair.pdf](http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/providers/information/resources/profiles/profile_eriestclair.pdf)

Erie St. Clair LHIN, **Socio-Economic Indicators Atlas**, Spring 2006 -  
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<http://www.trilliumfoundation.org/en/knowledgeSharingCentre/resources/EKLCommunityProfile.pdf>

Best Start, **“A Report on the Well Being of Lambton County’s Young Children”**, 2008  
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Dayna Nadine Scott, **“Confronting Chronic Pollution: A Socio-Legal Analysis of Risk and Precaution”**, Osgoode Hall Law Journal 46(2) 2008 (available online:  
[http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=1262791##](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1262791##))

# LINKS TO ENVIRONMENTAL LAW & HEALTH RESOURCES

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## Environmental Health

- **Environmental Health Institute of Canada**  
Email: [info@ehicanada.ca](mailto:info@ehicanada.ca)  
Fax: (416) 364 – 4074; (905) 845-3794  
Website: <http://ehicanada.com/>
- **Environmental Health Clinic, Women’s College Hospital**  
Tel: 416-351-3764  
Website: <http://www.womenscollegehospital.ca/programs-and-services/environmental-health-clinic469/>
- **Canadian Environmental Law Association / L`association canadienne du droit de l`environnement**  
130 Spadina Ave, Suite 301,  
Toronto, ON M5V 2L4  
[www.cela.ca](http://www.cela.ca); <http://www.facebook.com/CanadianEnvironmentalLawAssociation>  
Legal Inquiries : (416) 960-2284, ext 227; [articling@cela.ca](mailto:articling@cela.ca)
- See also: <http://www.sarene.ca/directory.html>

## Children’s Environmental Health

- **Canadian Partnership for Children’s Health and Environment / Partenariat canadien pour la santé des enfants et l`environnement**  
English: <http://www.healthyenvironmentforkids.ca/>  
Francais: <http://www.healthyenvironmentforkids.ca/fr/content/le-partenariat-canadien-pour-la-sant%C3%A9-des-enfants-et-l%E2%80%99environnement>

## Workers’ Health

- **Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers -** <http://www.ohcow.on.ca/>

## Toxics in Cosmetics

- **Guide to Less Toxic Products** - <http://www.lesstoxicguide.ca/index.asp?>
- **Environmental Health Association of Nova Scotia:** [www.facebook.com/pages/Environmental-Health-Association-of-Nova-Scotia/165405756830794?sk=info](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Environmental-Health-Association-of-Nova-Scotia/165405756830794?sk=info)
- **Skin Deep Cosmetics Database** (by the Environmental Working Group):  
<http://www.ewg.org/skindeep/> (anglais seulement)
- **Breast Cancer Action Montreal / Action Cancer du Sein de Montréal**  
English: <http://www.bcam.qc.ca/>  
français: <http://www.bcam.qc.ca/fr>

## **Access to Information & Public Participation in Environmental Decision-Making**

- **Environmental Assessment**

### *Information*

Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA)/ Agence canadienne d'évaluation environnementale (ACEE)

English: <http://www.ceaa.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=D75FB358-1>

français: <http://www.ceaa.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=Fr&n=D75FB358-1>

Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry / Registre canadien d'évaluation environnementale

English : <http://www.ceaa.gc.ca/050/index-eng.cfm>

français : <http://www.ceaa.gc.ca/050/index-fra.cfm>

Ministry of Environment (re Ontario Environmental Assessments) / Ministère de l'environnement (re les évaluations environnementales en Ontario)

English:

[www.ene.gov.on.ca/environment/en/industry/assessment\\_and\\_approvals/environmental\\_assessments/index.htm](http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/environment/en/industry/assessment_and_approvals/environmental_assessments/index.htm)

français:

[http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/environment/fr/industry/assessment\\_and\\_approvals/environmental\\_assessments/index.htm](http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/environment/fr/industry/assessment_and_approvals/environmental_assessments/index.htm)

### *Legislation*

Environmental Assessment Act / Loi sur les évaluations environnementales Provinciale(s)

English : [http://www.e-](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90e18_e.htm)

[laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws\\_statutes\\_90e18\\_e.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90e18_e.htm)

Français : [http://www.e-](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_90e18_f.htm)

[laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws\\_statutes\\_90e18\\_f.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_90e18_f.htm)

Federal / Fédérale

English : <http://laws.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-15.2/index.html>

Français : <http://laws.justice.gc.ca/fra/lois/C-15.2/index.html>

- **Environmental Bill of Rights, 1993 / Charte des droits environnementaux de 1993**

*Information*

EBR Environmental Registry / CDE Registre Environnemental

[www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/index.jsp](http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/index.jsp)

*Information on the EBR from the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario*

English : [http://www.eco.on.ca/index.php/en\\_US/environmental-bill-of-rights/about-the-ebr](http://www.eco.on.ca/index.php/en_US/environmental-bill-of-rights/about-the-ebr)

français : [http://www.eco.on.ca/index.php/fr\\_FR/environmental-bill-of-rights/about-the-ebr](http://www.eco.on.ca/index.php/fr_FR/environmental-bill-of-rights/about-the-ebr)

Environmental Commissioner of Ontario (ECO) / Commissaire à l'environnement de l'Ontario (CEO)

1075 Bay Street, Suite 605

Toronto, ON M5S 2B1, Canada

Tel: 416-325-3377 / 1-800-701-6454

E-mail: [commissioner@eco.on.ca](mailto:commissioner@eco.on.ca)

Centre du Documentation: (416) 325-0363

<http://www.eco.on.ca/>

*Legislation*

English : [http://www.e-](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_93e28_e.htm)

[laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws\\_statutes\\_93e28\\_e.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_93e28_e.htm)

Français: [http://www.e-](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_93e28_f.htm)

[laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws\\_statutes\\_93e28\\_f.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_93e28_f.htm)

- **Freedom of Information / l'accès à l'information**

*Information from the Information and Privacy Commission*

Municipal(e) / Provincial(e)

English : <http://www.ipc.on.ca/english/Access-To-Information/Accessing-Public-Information/>

français: <http://www.ipc.on.ca/french/access-to-information/accessing-public-information/default.aspx>

Federal / Fédérale

English : <http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/atip-ai/prp/index-eng.asp>

français: <http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/atip-ai/prp/index-fra.asp>

*Legislation*

Municipal(e)

English : [http://www.e-](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90m56_e.htm)

[laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws\\_statutes\\_90m56\\_e.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90m56_e.htm)

français: [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws\\_statutes\\_90m56\\_f.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_90m56_f.htm)

Provincial(e)

English: [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws\\_statutes\\_90f31\\_e.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90f31_e.htm)

français: [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws\\_statutes\\_90f31\\_f.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_90f31_f.htm)

Federal / Fédérale

English : <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-1/index.html>

français: <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/fra/lois/A-1/index.html>

- **Land Use Planning / Decisions / L'aménagement du territoire**

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing / Ministères des Affaires Municipales et du Logement

English : <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page186.aspx>

français : <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page2291.aspx>

Ontario Municipal Board / Commission des affaires municipales de l'Ontario

English : [www.omb.gov.on.ca/english/home.html](http://www.omb.gov.on.ca/english/home.html) ;

[www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page7096.aspx](http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page7096.aspx)

français : [www.omb.gov.on.ca/french/home\\_fr.html](http://www.omb.gov.on.ca/french/home_fr.html) ;

[www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page7097.aspx](http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page7097.aspx)

Citizen Liaison Office / Le Bureau de liaison avec les citoyens - 416-326-6800, 1-866-887-8820

English :

[www.omb.gov.on.ca/english/OMBInformation/OMB\\_Citizen\\_Liaison\\_Office.html](http://www.omb.gov.on.ca/english/OMBInformation/OMB_Citizen_Liaison_Office.html)

français :

[www.omb.gov.on.ca/french/OMBInformation/OMB\\_Citizen\\_Liaison\\_Office\\_fr.html](http://www.omb.gov.on.ca/french/OMBInformation/OMB_Citizen_Liaison_Office_fr.html)

Planning Act / Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire

English : [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws\\_statutes\\_90p13\\_e.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90p13_e.htm)

Français : [http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws\\_statutes\\_90p13\\_f.htm](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/french/elaws_statutes_90p13_f.htm)

Provincial Policy Statement / Déclaration de principes provinciale

English : <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page215.aspx>

français : <http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page2321.aspx>

- **National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI) / Inventaire national des rejets de polluants (INRP)**

English : <http://www.ec.gc.ca/inrp-npri/default.asp?lang=en>

français: <http://www.ec.gc.ca/inrp-npri/default.asp?lang=Fr>

## LINKS TO LEGAL RESOURCES

### **Canadian Environmental Law Association / L`association canadienne du droit de l`environnement**

130 Spadina Ave, Suite 301,

Toronto, ON M5V 2L4

[www.cela.ca](http://www.cela.ca); <http://www.facebook.com/CanadianEnvironmentalLawAssociation>

Legal Inquiries : (416) 960-2284, ext 227; [articling@cela.ca](mailto:articling@cela.ca)

### **Community Legal Assistance (Sarnia)**

201 Front Street North, Suite 407

Sarnia, ON

N7T 7T9

Tel: 519-332-8055

Toll free : 1-888-916-2527

### **Legal Aid Ontario / Aide juridique Ontario**

English: <http://www.legalaid.on.ca/en/>

Français: <http://www.legalaid.on.ca/fr/default.asp>

### **Justice Net**

<http://www.justicenet.ca/>

### **Law Society of Upper Canada / Bureau du Haut-Canada**

English: <http://www.lsuc.on.ca/index.aspx?langtype=1033>

français: <http://www.lsuc.on.ca/index.aspx?langtype=1036>

### **Lawyer and Paralegal Directory**

<http://www1.lsuc.on.ca/LawyerParalegalDirectory/index.jsp>

### **Lawyer Referral Service / Assistance Avocats**

1-800-268-8326 or 416-947-3330 (free 30 minute consultation)

English : <http://www.lsuc.on.ca/faq.aspx?id=1146&langtype=1033>

français: <http://www.lsuc.on.ca/faq.aspx?id=1146&langtype=1036>

### **Legal Line**

<http://www.legalline.ca/>

## LINKS TO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND/OR LAW & POLICY ORGANIZATIONS

- Ban Asbestos Canada(BAC) - <http://www.bacanada.org/main.html>



- Campaign for Nuclear Phaseout (CNP) - <http://www.cnp.ca/>
- Canadian Environmental Law Association – [www.cela.ca](http://www.cela.ca)
- Canadian Environmental Network (CEN) - <http://www.cen-rce.org/>
- Canadian Institute of Resources Law : <http://www.cirl.ca/>
- Canadian Partnership for Children's Health and Environment - [www.healthyenvironmentforkids.ca/](http://www.healthyenvironmentforkids.ca/)
- Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment - <http://www.cape.ca/>
- Coalition on the Niagara Escarpment (CONE) - <http://www.niagaraescarpment.org/>
- Conserve Our Water - <http://www.conserveourwater.ca/>
- David Suzuki Foundation / Fondation David Suzuki  
     English : <http://www.davidsuzuki.org/>  
     Francais : <http://www.davidsuzuki.org/fr/>
- Ecojustice: <http://www.ecojustice.ca/>
- Environmental Bureau of Investigation : <http://www.eprf.ca/ebi/index.cfm>
- Environmental Defence : <http://environmentaldefence.ca/>
- Environmental Health Institute of Canada – <http://ehicanada.com/index.htm>
- Environmental Law Centre – Alberta: <http://www.elc.ab.ca/pages/home/default.aspx>
- Great Lakes United (GLU) - <http://www.glu.org/en/splash>
- Green Budget Coalition (GBC) - [http://www.greenbudget.ca/main\\_e.html](http://www.greenbudget.ca/main_e.html)
- Green Prosperity - <http://www.greenprosperity.ca/>
- International POPs Elimination Network (IPEN) - <http://www.ipen.org/>
- Low Income Energy Network (LIEN) - <http://www.lowincomeenergy.ca/>
- Northwatch - <http://www.web.ca/~nwatch/>
- Nuclear Waste Watch - <http://www.cnp.ca/nww/index.php>
- Ontario Environment Network (OEN) - <http://www.oen.ca/>
- Ontario Greenbelt Alliance - <http://www.greenbelt.ca/>
- Ontario Water Conservation Alliance - <http://www.conserveourwater.ca/>
- Pesticides Action Network of North America (PANNA) - <http://www.panna.org/>
- Pollution Probe – <http://www.pollutionprobe.org/>
- PollutionWatch - <http://www.pollutionwatch.org/>
- Renewable is Doable - <http://www.renewableisdoable.com/>
- Take Charge on Toxics - <http://www.takechargeontoxics.ca/>
- Toronto Cancer Prevention Coalition (TCPC) - <http://www.toronto.ca/health/resources/tcpc/>
- The Waterhole - <http://www.thewaterhole.ca/>
- West Coast Environmental Law – Vancouver : <http://www.wcel.org/>