

# Climate Action News **this week**

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## **A Week in Review...**

### **Live Earth July 7<sup>th</sup>, Concerts for a Climate in Crisis**

As a clarion call to action against global warming, a series of concerts is being held around the world to mobilize the public. Live Earth, nine simultaneous concerts all taking place on July 7, will bring together more than 100 of the world's hottest musical acts and an estimated audience of two billion people to trigger a global movement to combat climate change. It's music with a message.

Read more: <http://www.greenpeace.org/canada/en/recent/live-earth-music-for-a-moveme>

### **Time for provinces to cooperate on climate change**

Canada's provinces must impose mandatory caps on industrial emissions in the absence of effective action by the federal government, according to environmental organizations across the country.

Read the full Press Release: [www.davidsuzuki.org](http://www.davidsuzuki.org)

### **National Roundtable Report: quicker deeper cuts in greenhouse gases good for the economy and the environment**

The national roundtable on the economy and environment's interim report to the Minister of the Environment John Baird confirms what many Canadians have been calling for - immediate action to reduce global warming pollution without delay.

Read the full report: [http://www.nrtee-trnee.ca/eng/media/ArchivedPressReleases/20070627-Interim-Report\\_E.htm](http://www.nrtee-trnee.ca/eng/media/ArchivedPressReleases/20070627-Interim-Report_E.htm)

## **Action Alert**

### **Global Call to End Oil Aid**

Read and sign the statement calling on wealthy countries to stop using foreign assistance to subsidize international oil companies.

Full statement at: [www.priceofoil.org/endoilaid](http://www.priceofoil.org/endoilaid)

### **We love nukes! (not really...)**

Sign the petition to rename a nuclear plant after Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty!

Find out more (and sign the petition!) at [www.ilovenukes.ca](http://www.ilovenukes.ca)

There should be a Dalton McGuinty Memorial Nuclear Station. Why? Because no one else has done as much to promote nuclear power in Canada, and we want everyone to know.

## **Inside Ottawa...**

### **Bill C-288 passes Senate, gets Royal Assent**

Liberal Senators voted to pass Liberal private member's Bill C-288, the Kyoto Implementation Bill, on Friday of last week.

With the passage of the Kyoto bill the Conservatives are now legally obligated to implement the Kyoto Protocol.

The Kyoto Protocol Implementation Act was introduced as a Private Member's Bill by Liberal MP Pablo Rodriguez. It gives government two months to come up with a blueprint for how it will meet its commitments under Kyoto and 180 days to bring in regulations to "ensure that Canada fully meets its obligations" under the Protocol.

The government proposed an amendment to the bill so that it would not come into force until a date set by the governor-in-council, i.e. Cabinet, but the Liberal-dominated Senate voted down the amendment 53 to 20. The bill then

passed third reading in the Senate, also by a vote of 53 to 20, and was later given Royal Assent.

Read about the entire budget package voted on in the Senate:  
<http://www.thehilltimes.ca/html/index.php>

## Looking Ahead....

THURSDAY, JULY 5 - Pugwash Peace Exchange—No more nukes! Quebec Liberal Sen. Roméo Dallaire is the honorary patron of the Pugwash Peace Exchange—this year commemorates the 50th anniversary of the first anti-nuclear Pugwash Conference. July 5-7, Pugwash, N.S. 613-995-4191.

SATURDAY, JULY 21 - Canada Parks Day—Celebrate Canada's parks and historical sites with numerous events taking place all over the country.  
[www.parksday.ca/eng/index.html](http://www.parksday.ca/eng/index.html).

CONSERVATIVE NATIONAL CAUCUS MEETING - in Charlottetown, P.E.I. from Aug. 1-Aug. 3. For more information, call Conservative MP Rahim Jaffer, chair of the Conservative caucus, 613-995-7325.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8 Council of the Federation - Chair of the Council of the Federation, New Brunswick Premier Shawn Graham will host other premiers at this summer meeting. August 8-10. Hotel Beauséjour, Moncton, N.B.  
For more details please visit [www.gnb.ca/cf](http://www.gnb.ca/cf).

AUGUST 25 NDP MPs will gather in Montreal from Aug. 25 to 27 for their annual summer caucus retreat.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28 Federal Liberal Caucus meeting—The Liberal Party holds its summer caucus meeting. Aug. 28-30. The Fairmont Hotel, St. John's, Nfld.  
For more information, please call 613-783-8400.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 - Ontario Provincial Election—  
[www.electionsontario.on.ca](http://www.electionsontario.on.ca)