

Press Release

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PM Harper wants a 'Made in Canada' plan. This is how to get it!

(Ottawa) The Climate Action Network/Réseau Action Climat Canada (CAN-RAC) is beginning its tour to find out what Canadians want in a Kyoto plan to address the climate crisis. "Climate Action Tour 2006", www.climatetour.ca, will present a series of workshops across Canada for Canadians of all regions to design a climate action plan. The tour is part of the networks plan to get Canada back on the Kyoto track and re-emerge as the global good guy Canadians expect it to be.

The tour will not only be real with stops from coast to coast but virtual as well. Anyone who can't attend one of the sessions in person will be able to review the record of each workshop on line and add their ideas to the discussion.

"We want to hear what Canadians want done so we can take their views to Ottawa", said John Bennett, executive director of the network, who will present the workshops. "With Environment Canada downgrading action on climate change, Stephen Harper's government creating a made in Canada plan and the Liberal leadership candidates announcing their plans for action on climate change we feel this is a perfect opportunity to hear what the public wants to do about the climate crisis."

Each workshop will include background information about climate change, Canada's greenhouse gas emissions and existing climate change programs. Most of the time however will be devoted to gathering input from individual Canadians. A summary of recommendations from the sessions will be presented to the Prime Minister in the fall of this year.

The tour starts in Atlantic Canada on Wednesday September 13th, with stops in Truro and Wolfville and Halifax on the 14th. Throughout September dates include: Hamilton September 16th, Winnipeg September 18th, Victoria September 20th, Vancouver September 21st, Salt Spring Island September 22nd, Yellowknife September 25th, Edmonton September 26th, Calgary September 27th, Saskatoon September 28th, Midland September 30th. In October a number of cities will be added including Toronto, Regina, Fredericton, Comox, Waterloo and Haliburton.

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Tour dates see below:

Truro Nova Scotia Wednesday September 13th 10am Howard Johnson's, Fundy Room, Prince St. Coastal Communities Network of Nova Scotia www.coastalcommunities.ns.ca 902-485-4754 Wolfville Nova Scotia Wednesday September 13th 7pm Fundy Film Society Acadia Cinema, Al Whittle Theatre, 450 Main Street An Inconvenient Truth starts at 7 with panel discussion beginning at around 8:50pm http://www.fundyfilm.ca/ Halifax Thursday September 14th 7-10pm Dalhousie University, 6136 University Ave, Room 303, Student Union Building Nova Scotia Environment Network www.nsen.ca 902-454-6846 Hamilton Saturday September 16th 9:30-12:30pm Downtown Arts Centre 28 Rebecca Street Environment Hamilton www.environmenthamilton.org 905-549-0900 Winnipeg Monday September 18th 1:30 - 4:30 Hotel Fort Garry 222 Broadway Ave. Manitoba Wildlands www.manitobawildlands.org 204-947-3400 Victoria Wednesday September 20th 6:30pm to 9:30pm University of Victoria Room 105, Harry Hickman Building (near Cornett and Sedgewick buildings) BC Sustainable Energy Association www.bcsea.org 250-744-2720 Vancouver Thursday September 21st 6:30 pm, (doors 6:15 pm) UBC Robson Square - Room C180 (800 Robson Street) BC Sustainable Energy Association www.bcsea.org 250-744-2720	Salt Spring Island Friday September 22 Community Gospel Church 147 Vesuvius Bay Road Doors open: 6:30 pm Program starts: 7:00 pm www.saltspringenergystrategy.org Contact Dorothy at (250) 537-5558 Yellowknife Monday September 25th 7-10pm Northern United Place Ecology North www.ecologynorth.ca 867-873-6019 Edmonton Tuesday September 26th evening Sierra Club of Canada Prairie Chapter www.sierraclub.ca/prairie 780-439-1160 Calgary Wednesday September 27th, 7pm Calgary Area Outdoor Council, 1111 Memorial Drive N.W. directly across from Kensington Sierra Club of Canada Chinook Group www.sierraclubchinook.org (403) 233-7332 Saskatoon Thursday September 28th 5.30 pm Grace Westminster United Church, 10th Street at Eastlake. A light supper will be provided. Saskatchewan Environmental Society www.environmentalsociety.ca 306-665-1915 Midland Saturday September 30th 1-4pm Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre 16160 Hwy #12 East www.wyemarsh.com 705-526-7809
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