

# RESOURCE KIT WINDSOR, ONTARIO



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



# INTRODUCTION

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This Resource Kit for Windsor, 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 Windsor, 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 Windsor, 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 Windsor. Please refer to the attached presentations and reports to learn more about environmental health in your community.

Topics covered in this Resource Kit for Windsor include: health and work environments, public participation in environmental decision making, Brownfield regulation, chronic pollution, impacts of air pollution on human health, children's health, 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 "Healthy Spaces in Windsor: Community and Work Environments" for information about accessing information through the Pollution Watch website and for information about the National Pollutant Release Inventory.

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 Windsor, without spending a lot of money.

Please refer to our presentation listed below, titled “Healthy Spaces in Windsor: Community and Work Environments” for information about how to access pollution data and use the *Environmental Bill of Rights* (EBR). For information on opportunities for public involvement (i.e., access to information or participation in environmental decision-making) please refer to the presentation listed below titled “Environmental Health Law and Regulation: Opportunities for Engagement”.

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

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

- Community Legal Aid and Legal Assistance of Windsor - <http://web4.uwindsor.ca/LegalAssistanceofWindsor>
- Windsor-Essex Bilingual Legal Clinic - <http://www.bilinguallegalclinic.com/>
- Citizens Environment Alliance - <http://www.citizensenvironmentalliance.org/>
- Sandwich Community Health Centre - <http://www.sandwichchc.org/>
- Essex Region Conservation Authority - <http://www.erca.org/>
- Occupational Health Clinic for Ontario Workers - <http://www.ohcow.on.ca/>
- Windsor Occupational Health Information Service - <http://wohis.mnsi.net/>
- Sandwich Teen Action Group - <http://www.weblocal.ca/sandwich-teen-action-group-windsor-on.html>
- Ontario Lung Association – Windsor Community Office - <http://www.on.lung.ca/Page.aspx?pid=466>
- Office of the Worker Advisor, Southwest Region - [http://www.owa.gov.on.ca/office\\_locations/southwest\\_region.html](http://www.owa.gov.on.ca/office_locations/southwest_region.html)
- Environment Committee, Canadian Auto Workers, Local 444 - <http://local444.caw.ca/>

#### **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 Windsor:

- Industrial Air Emissions: high concentration of air pollution from local facilities, as well as American facilities
- Air Emissions from Trucks: high volume of truck traffic in close proximity to the community
- Water quality: concerns about water quality, contaminated sediment, and the consumption of fish from these rivers
- Brownfields: pockets of brownfields exist in north Windsor
  - o Please refer to our presentation listed below, titled “Clean Up Your ‘Act’: Understanding Brownfield Regulation in Ontario” for information regarding brownfield regulation in Ontario and Windsor

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

This resource kit has been created to allow you easy access to information about environmental health in Windsor. This kit will continue to be updated and is available on line: <http://www.cela.ca/collections/justice/making-links-environmental-health-equity-and-law-windsor>

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> The Toolkit provides a summary of environmental health issues and law, and outlines key opportunities for public participation.

## **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: “**Green Jobs Campaign - CELA Healthy Spaces in Windsor: Community and Work Environments**”, by Mark Bartlett of the CAW Local 444 Environment Council, December 10, 2009 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Healthy%20Spaces%20in%20Windsor-Bartlett%20CAW%20Presentation.pdf>

Presentation: “**Healthy Spaces in Windsor: Community and Work Environments**”, Theresa McClenaghan and Kaitlyn Mitchell of the Canadian Environmental Law

Association, December 10, 2009 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Healthy%20Spaces%20in%20Windsor-KM%20and%20TAM%20FINAL.pdf>

Presentation: “**Toxicology, Occupational and Environmental Health**”, by John Miuccio, Occupational Hygienist, Occupational Health Clinics for Ontario Workers Inc, December 10, 2009 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Healthy%20Spaces%20in%20Windsor-Miuccio%20OHCOW%20Presentation.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**”, Theresa McClenaghan, Executive Director, Canadian Environmental Law Association, July 12, 2010 -

<http://s.cela.ca/files/Windsor%20Brownfield%20Presentation%20-%20Clean%20Up%20Your%20Act%202010%20-%20Making%20the%20Links.pdf>

Presentation: “**Health and Work Environments**” by Mark Bartlett of the CAW Local 444 Environment Council, November 10, 2010 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/CELA-Workplace%20Environment%202010%20by%20Mark%20Bartlett.pdf>

Presentation: “**Children’s Health and the Environment: Exposures and Health Risks & Health Promotion Strategies**” by Kathleen Cooper of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 10, 2010 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Children%27s%20Environmental%20health%20-%20November%202010%20-%20Windsor.pdf>

Presentation: “**Environmental Health, Equity and Law Workshop**” by the Citizens Environmental Alliance, November 10, 2010 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Citizens%20Environment%20Alliance%20-%20November%202010%20-%20Windsor.pdf>

Presentation: “**Pollution, Poverty, and Environmental Justice**” by Renee Griffin of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 10, 2010 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Pollution%20Poverty%20and%20EJ%20-%20November%202010%20-%20Windsor.pdf>

Presentation: “**Environmental Health Law and Regulation: Opportunities for Engagement**” by Theresa McClenaghan of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, November 2010 -

<http://www.cela.ca/sites/cela.ca/files/Opportunities%20for%20Engagement%20-%20November%202010%20%3D%20Windsor.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>

Erie St. Clair LHIN, **Socio-Economic Indicators Atlas**, Spring 2006 -

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**Erie St. Clair LHIN, Population Health Profile -**

[http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/providers/information/resources/profiles/profile\\_erieclair.pdf](http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/providers/information/resources/profiles/profile_erieclair.pdf)

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Isaac N. Luginaah et al., “**Association of Ambient Air Pollution with Respiratory Hospitalization in Government-Designated “Area of Concern”: The Case of Windsor, Ontario**”, *Environmental Health Perspectives* 113:3, March 2005 -

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1253754/pdf/ehp0113-000290.pdf>

Karen Y. Fung et al., “**Air Pollution and Daily Hospital Admissions for Cardiovascular Diseases in Windsor, Ontario**”, *Canadian Journal of Public Health*, January – February 2005 -

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United Way, **Agenda for Community Impact 2006, Long Term Community Investment Strategy, 2006 -**

<http://www.weareunited.com/img/assets/agendaforcommunity%20impact.pdf>

United Way, **Windsor-Essex County Well Being Report, 2006** -  
<http://www.weareunited.com/img/uw05wellbeingreport.pdf>

Karen Y Fung, Isaac N Luginaah and Kevein M Gorey, “**Impact of air pollution on hospital admission in Southwestern Ontario, Canada: Generating hypotheses in sentinel high exposure places**”, *Environmental Health*, 6:18, 2007 -  
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Hartig, J.H. et al, eds. “**State of the Strait: Status and Trends of Key Indicators**”, Great Lakes Institute for Environmental Research, 2007 -  
[http://crons.uwindsor.ca/units/stateofthestraight/softs.nsf/54ef3e94e5fe816e85256d6e0063d208/4506079a8efac1ca852573a3005000fa/\\$FILE/SOS%202007\\_Entire%20Report.pdf](http://crons.uwindsor.ca/units/stateofthestraight/softs.nsf/54ef3e94e5fe816e85256d6e0063d208/4506079a8efac1ca852573a3005000fa/$FILE/SOS%202007_Entire%20Report.pdf)

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[http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/globalhealth/history/files/GHTF/GHTF\\_Report\\_2008\\_Updated.pdf](http://www.schulich.uwo.ca/globalhealth/history/files/GHTF/GHTF_Report_2008_Updated.pdf)

Best Start, **A Report on the Well Being of Lambton County’s Young Children**, 2008 - [http://www.st-clair.net/beststart/Articles/ChildCareReport\\_Lambton-Dec08.pdf](http://www.st-clair.net/beststart/Articles/ChildCareReport_Lambton-Dec08.pdf)

Jaymie R. Meliker et al. “**Breast and Prostate Cancer Survival in Michigan: Can Geographic Analysis Assist in Understanding Racial Disparities?**”, *Cancer*, 1115:10, May 15, 2009 - <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2722931/pdf/nihms-113329.pdf>

# 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.womenscollegetherospital.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)

## 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

Provincial(e)

English : [http://www.e-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-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-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-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 Commissioner*

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-aiprp/index-eng.asp>

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

*Legislation*

Municipal(e)

English : [http://www.e-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 / Ministère 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)

### **Legal Assistance of Windsor**

85 Pitt Street East  
Windsor, ON  
N9A 2V3  
Tel: 519-256-7831

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

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

Francais: <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>

francais: <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>

francais: <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/>
- Citizen's Environment Alliance - <http://www.citizensenvironmentalliance.org/>
- 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/>
- Pollution Watch - <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/>