

## PROTECTING THE ARCTIC ENVIRONMENT

The Arctic environment is being affected by events taking place far outside the Arctic but having a significant impact on the region's unique and fragile environment. Canada is demonstrating stewardship in this magnificent ecological region. We are pursuing action internationally in the following priority areas:

- ▶ promoting an ecosystem-based management approach with our Arctic neighbours and others
- ▶ contributing to and supporting international efforts to address the causes and effects of climate change in the Arctic
- ▶ enhancing efforts on a range of environmental issues, including the promotion and strengthening of international standards
- ▶ strengthening Arctic science and the legacy of the International Polar Year

