

Pollution Prevention

The National Office of Pollution Prevention (NOPP) provides Canadians with comprehensive information and tools to contribute to sustainable development through pollution prevention. Its Internet-based Canadian Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse provides a wide array of easily accessed information with links to information from around the globe. The NOPP supports and works with the Canadian Centre for Pollution Prevention, which is Canada's proponent of the new Global Cleaner Production Information Network launched at the International Pollution Prevention Summit.

Biodiversity

The Canadian Biodiversity Information Network (CBIN) is Canada's national node in the International Clearing-house Mechanism of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity. CBIN is a window on biodiversity information in Canada and also helps to increase awareness of biodiversity issues and facilitate cooperation between people across Canada.

The Biodiversity Stewardship in Resource Industries Initiative is a voluntary initiative that catalyzes partnerships between natural resource industries, conservation organizations, Aboriginal and rural communities, and governments to protect wildlife and habitats across Canada through the exchange of biodiversity stewardship information and development of on-the-ground stewardship projects.

Freshwater

The Freshwater Website educates Canadians about freshwater in Canada related to water use, water efficiency, water quality, policy and legislation, groundwater, interjurisdictional water issues, art, and culture. Each subject makes links to water-related Web sites in Canada and around the world.

State of the Environment

The State of Canada's Environment Infobase provides Canadian environmental information through four modules: national, regional, ecological framework, and tools. Components of the infobase include the National Environmental Indicator Series, regional and issue-specific state of the environment (SOE) reports, and the state of Canada's environment reports. The ecological-spatial framework used to house information at subnational and regional scales is also linked to Eco-vignettes, which portray ecological relationships in the various terrestrial and marine ecological units. The tools module includes the Sustainable Community Indicators Program and its software, as well as

Cleaner Production Information Network

The first International Pollution Prevention Summit took place in Montreal, Quebec, in October 2000. A major outcome of the summit is the Internet-based Global Cleaner Production Information Network, a vital new resource for businesses and government that will be a virtual meeting place for the hundreds of pollution prevention roundtables and the sustainability and cleaner production networks worldwide that promote the science of reducing the generation of pollution.