

ON WATER...

Will Canada be forced into allowing inter-basin water exports under the NAFTA?

-- No. The large-scale export of water was not part of the NAFTA negotiations. The Government of Canada has developed a firm policy on water transfers or diversions. The policy expressly prohibits such projects.

Will the government introduce legislation to ensure water cannot be exported, as it did with the FTA?

-- Yes. The NAFTA implementing legislation will contain a specific provision confirming Canadian sovereignty over water resources.