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Nickel District Conservation Authority

"Water is Life" Media Release

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**North Bay-
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Conservation
Authority** is a partner with **Greening Nipissing** for a World Water Day festival & Hike on Saturday, March 24th.

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**Film Screenings
About Water**

St. Clair Conservation Authority **Reel Paddling Film Festival**

Canada Water Week runs from March 19-25th, 2012 and the theme this year is *Discover Your Water Footprint*.

World Water Day is March 22, 2012.

Both events highlight the importance of water to our daily lives.



Ensuring Plenty of Clean, Sustainable Drinking Water Sources is the Goal of the Ontario Drinking Water Source Protection Program

The Ontario Drinking Water Source Protection Program protects municipal sources of drinking water for more than 10 million Ontario residents.

Under the 2006 Clean Water Act, source protection plans are required to be produced for watersheds across Ontario by local source protection committees working with Ontario's 36 Conservation Authorities and the provincial government. All proposed source protection plans will be completed this year.



Ontario's municipalities draw their drinking water from various sources including lakes, rivers, and groundwater sources.

The source protection plans have mapped all of the locations of the municipal wells and intakes in order to find out what activities are going on that could threaten them with either contamination or from overuse.

The source protection plans also help us to make sure future activities won't impact the health and supply of our water sources. These plans provide actions and guidance


SDCI/Holy Cross
Auditorium
March 23, 2012
7:00 pm

Film Screening of
**Waterlife: The Story
of the Great Lakes**
March 20, 2012
Kortright Centre
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

**Water Shorts:
Celebrate an Evening
of Films**
March 23, 2012
Kortright Centre
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Water Docs
March 22- April 22,
2012

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for municipalities and others so that they can continue to ensure residents and businesses have access to plentiful, clean water today and into the future.

Draft source protection plans are being released starting now.

Cataraqui Draft Source Protection Plan
Halton-Hamilton Draft Source Protection Plans
Lakehead Region Draft Source Protection Plan
Niagara Peninsula Draft Source Protection Plan
Raisin/South Nation Draft Source Protection Plan
Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Plans

More plans will be added to this list as they are available. To find other plans as well as Source Protection Watershed Characterization Reports and Threat Assessment Reports, visit **Conservation Ontario's website**.

Water Conservation Tips from Conservation Authorities



Hamilton Conservation Tips

Lakehead Region Conservation Tips

Cataraqui Water Conservation Tips

CLOCA Water Conservation Tips

Kawartha Water Reduction Tips

**Rideau Valley Water Conservation
Tips**

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