

Doing Justice Being Peace

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Weekly Newsletter



The *International Day of Education* on January 24 celebrates “**Learning for Lasting Peace.**” This theme emphasizes that peace does not begin where violence ends. It requires continuous effort towards dialogue, solidarity, mutual understanding, and equality. Education is key to peacebuilding, reducing the likelihood of conflicts, and supporting post-conflict recovery and global stability.

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



COP28 – the United Nations Climate Conference – marked a historic milestone with a global consensus to transition away from fossil fuels.

The *International Day of Clean Energy* on January 26 highlights the importance of working towards UN Sustainable Development Goal #7 – universal access to renewable, reliable, and modern energy by 2030.



THE BIODIVERSITY PLAN

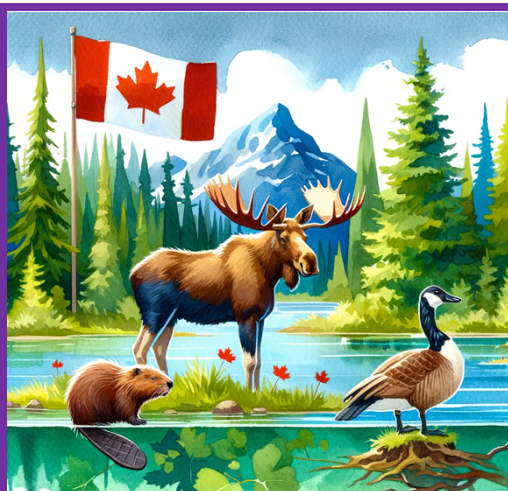
For Life on Earth

Biodiversity is the heartbeat of our planet. From the tiniest bacteria to towering trees, every organism weaves the complex web of life on which we so fully depend. The biodiversity we see today is the fruit of billions of years of evolution, a masterpiece of natural processes that has created our common home.

Environment & Climate Change Canada is developing *Canada's 2030 National Biodiversity Strategy*, a forward-looking plan aimed at stopping biodiversity decline. This strategy emphasizes nationwide conservation and sustainable use measures.

Halting and reversing biodiversity loss means turning the tide towards recovery and revitalization. The [Milestone Document](#) outlines how the *2030 Strategy* will rejuvenate and restore our natural world. It summarizes the overarching aims, objectives, and progress indicators for Canada's ecological future.

Public feedback on the document is open until February 9, 2024. Comments can be sent via e-mail: nature2030@ec.gc.ca



*The earth is a script,
inscribed with the Divine.*

- St. Seraphina

Consider the vast and unique beauty of Canada, from forests and great lakes to Arctic tundra and coastal regions. What story does this treasure trove of life reveal about the script of the Divine?

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