



Media Advisory

Environmental Commissioner of Ontario to release 2014/15 Annual Report

WHEN: Tuesday, November 3rd, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Queen's Park Media Studio, Legislative Building, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario

Acting Commissioner Ellen Schwartzel will release this year's Annual Report. The report, entitled *Small Things Matter*, will include substantive reviews of ministry decisions, ministry responses to applications for review and investigation, and other environmental issues. Some topics covered include:

- The Environmental Registry: Ripe for an Overhaul
- Protecting and Restoring the Great Lakes
- Fatal Attraction: When Birds Hit Buildings
- Taking Ontario's Water: Issues of Transparency and Cost
- Restoring and Expanding Ontario's Protected Areas
- Species at Risk: Going Through the Motions

The report will be available online at <http://www.eco.on.ca> coincident with the media conference.

The conference will also be available via webcast starting at 10 a.m. at <http://www.eco.on.ca/>. Please note the Commissioner will not be taking questions via webcast, but will be available for individual interviews after the news conference.

Media not currently accredited by the Legislative Assembly (Queen's Park) Media Gallery must register with the Press Gallery Coordinator, Gerald Christopher, room 387A, 416-325-7922 or gerald_christopher@ontla.ola.org.

Please allow sufficient time to register before the conference.

For more information or to schedule interviews, contact:

Hayley Easto, Communications & Outreach Coordinator,
416-325-3371 or hayley.easto@eco.on.ca.

For French language release and bilingual support, contact:

Lionel Perron, 647-222-1911

Aussi disponible en français.

The Environmental Commissioner of Ontario is the province's independent environmental watchdog. Appointed by the Legislative Assembly, the ECO monitors and reports on compliance with the Environmental Bill of Rights, the government's progress in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and its actions towards achieving greater energy conservation in Ontario.