



## **QUEST: North** **The Circumpolar Reality, Global Citizens Respond**

Online Resources

### **The Arctic Council**

The Arctic Council is a forum of eight Arctic states, Canada, Denmark (including Greenland and the Faroe Islands), Finland, Iceland, Norway, the Russian Federation, Sweden and the United States, and six indigenous groups who are Permanent Participants, that work toward sustainable social, economic and environmental development in the region.

Visit:

<http://www.arctic-council.org/>

### **The Arctic Climate Impact Assessment (ACIA)**

**Background:** Initiated in 2000 by the Arctic Council, the ACIA was a cooperative effort between two Arctic Council working groups, the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme (AMAP) and the Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (CAFF), and the International Arctic Science Committee (IASC). As its Chair Dr. Robert Corell described it in his November 16, 2004 testimony before The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the United States Senate; “The ACIA is a comprehensively researched, fully referenced, and independently reviewed evaluation of arctic climate change and its impacts for the region and for the world. It is the first such assessment ever conducted for the Arctic.” The full 1200 page scientific report can be ordered from Cambridge University Press.

To download free PDF copies of the executive summary

- **ACIA Overview report** “*Impacts of a Warming Arctic*,”
- the **ACIA Highlights**, and
- the **Arctic Council’s Policy Response to ACIA**

Visit:

<http://amap.no/acia/>

### **The Government of Canada's Climate Change Website**

Provides links to information and resources for Canadians on Climate Change.

Visit:

<http://www.climatechange.gc.ca/english/>

### **The One-Tonne Challenge**

The Government of Canada is challenging Canadians to do their part to mitigate climate change by reducing their emissions. The website features tools to help you calculate your current emissions and then shows you where you can save energy and reduce your emissions.

Visit:

<http://www.climatechange.gc.ca/onetonne/english/>

Related tools:

One Less Tonne provides a useful tool that links emissions reductions and energy savings in dollar amounts instantly by giving the user a variety of possible actions to take and the savings that would result. See the affiliated Climate Change Solutions site for more tools and information.

Visit:

<http://www.onelesstonne.ca/> and <http://www.climatechangesolutions.com/>

### **Inuit Observations on Climate Change project of the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)**

The International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) together with the Hunters and Trappers Committee of Sachs Harbour conducted a year-long project to document and report on the problem of Arctic climate change. To find out more or to view the video visit:

<http://www.iisd.org/casl/projects/inuitobs.htm>

### **Inuit Circumpolar Conference**

An Inuit organization representing Inuit from Canada, Alaska, Greenland and Russia, the ICC is one of six groups representing indigenous peoples as permanent members of the Arctic Council. ICC Chair Sheila Watt-Cloutier will be a guest speaker at QUEST:

North.

Visit:

<http://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/>

## **The Climate Change Connection**

The clearing house for climate change resources for Manitobans

Visit:

<http://www.climatechangeconnection.org/pages/manitobans.html>