



Alberta Water Quality Awareness (AWQA) Day, June 5th, 2009

Be a part of the big picture – share your results!

Have you ever wondered about the quality of water in your local stream or wetland? Students, seniors and everyone in between will have the opportunity to learn more about their local waterways during Alberta Water Quality Awareness (AWQA) Day on June 5, 2009.

Everyone is invited to participate in AWQA Day 2009. Interested parties can register and order their free water quality test kit online at www.awqa.ca. The deadline for ordering test kits is April 30th. This kit can be used to test any stream, lake, river, wetland, dugout, reservoir, pond, slough or other surface waterbody in Alberta. Test up to 10 sites for water temperature, dissolved oxygen, turbidity and pH – four basic measures that have important implications for fish and wildlife habitat.

Water quality testing can be done anytime between May 1st and August 31st. Volunteer participants add their water quality information to the online database at www.awqa.ca, and together create a picture of water quality in Alberta.

This type of monitoring helps build awareness, and brings together citizens with a common interest in protecting Alberta's waterways. Join the thousands of Albertans that want to take action, and make the changes needed to ensure clean water for our future.

AWQA Day is a program of the Alberta Lake Management Society in partnership with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Alberta Environment, Alberta Stewardship Network, and Inside Education.

AWQA Day is made possible through the generous support of our sponsors: EPCOR, TD Friends of the Environment, and City of Edmonton, Drainage Services.

For more information on Alberta Water Quality Awareness Day, please visit www.awqa.ca.

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