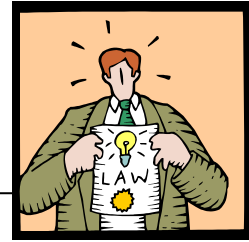


Legislating Sustainability



Protection of the environment in Canada is the responsibility of all levels of government. Since the environmental protection did not exist in 1867 when the Fathers of Confederation were dividing up powers amongst the levels of government, it is now a shared effort.

Take notes on the slideshow in class about the jurisdictional analysis of air, water, and waste to gain an understanding of who's responsible for what in terms of environmental protection. Given that information, decide what each level of government *should* be doing to ensure our world is sustainable and then read a little about what each level of government *actually is doing* to ensure sustainability. What report-card rating would you give each level of government for their efforts in protecting the air, water, and land?

What *Should* Governments Be Doing?

Level of Government	Air	Water	Land (Waste)
Federal (Government of Canada)			
Provincial (Government of Ontario)			
Municipal (Durham Region)			

What *Are* Governments Doing?

Level of Government	Air	Water	Land (Waste)
Federal (Government of Canada)			
Provincial (Government of Ontario)			
Municipal (Durham Region)			

Report Card Ratings

Level of Government	Air	Water	Land (Waste)
Federal (Government of Canada)			
Provincial (Government of Ontario)			
Municipal (Durham Region)			