

## Adapting to Climate Change in the Niagara Region of Ontario

May 14, 2008

hosted by the  
**Ontario Centre for Climate Impacts and Adaptation Resources**

**Holiday Inn**  
Lake St. & QEW, 2 North Service Road  
St. Catharines, Ontario

*"Warming of the climate system is unequivocal" (IPCC, 2007)*

*"Most of the observed increase in globally averaged temperatures since the mid-20th century is very likely due to the observed increase in anthropogenic greenhouse gas concentrations." (IPCC, 2007)*

Municipalities and other stakeholder groups are facing many challenges associated with changing climatic conditions in areas such as infrastructure, water resources, ecosystems and human health. Combined with the need to reduce our energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions is the need to be prepared for the current and future changes that accompany climate variability and change. Understanding how our human and natural systems are vulnerable and realizing the need to build resilience in those systems is paramount to lessen the negative impacts and take advantage of any opportunities that may exist.

The Ontario Centre for Climate Impacts and Adaptation Resources (OCCIAR) will be hosting a workshop titled **"Adapting to Climate Change in the Niagara Region of Ontario"**. This workshop will be a one-day session held on **May 14, 2008** at the **Holiday Inn on Service Road in St. Catharines, ON** and will address the impacts of climate change in the Niagara Region, understand local vulnerabilities and will discuss how to formulate adaptation strategies at the local level using a risk management approach. Themes include **Communities, Grape Growing and the Wine Industry and Great Lakes Water Issues**.

The workshop is free to attendees. Registration and a light continental breakfast will begin at 8:15 am with the first presentation beginning at 8:50 am. The workshop will end at 4:00 pm. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

RSVP by May 9, 2008 or for more information contact Jackie Richard at (705) 675 -1151 ext 2014 or at [jrichard@mirarco.org](mailto:jrichard@mirarco.org)

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