

Hereby proclaim the establishment of a world

ECOFORUM FOR PEACE.

This international movement shall have the following objectives:

A) To rally the efforts of the global scientific community and all committed towards assuring the co-development or co-evolution of Humankind and Nature as a necessary condition for life and social progress;

B) To encourage the world ecological and related communities in their efforts to mobilize the peoples and oblige the governments of all nations—North, South, East, and West—to achieve and safeguard peace in the world and to promote appropriate development on a sound ecological basis; and

C) To mobilize our fellow research workers throughout the world to help create the trust among nations that is necessary to achieve these aims.

In this, the United Nations International Year of Peace, we cordially extend a hand to all to work with us for a peaceful, sustainable, and just, world society. For further information please contact the *Ecoforum for Peace* Secretariat, in care of:

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Saudi Arabian National Commission for Wildlife Conservation and Development

The National Commission for Wildlife Conservation and Development in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia was established in May 1986 with the following aims and objectives:

1. To develop a comprehensive overview of the existing knowledge on the wildlife and natural environment of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
2. To develop and implement plans and projects for the preservation of the wildlife of the Kingdom.
3. To establish priorities for wildlife protection in terms of species and sites, including the marine and terrestrial environments.
4. To devise an overall plan of possible protected areas suitable for both the immediate protection and the future reintroduction of wildlife species.
5. To devise management and regulatory proposals for those areas.
6. To conduct research and field surveys on wildlife in Saudi Arabia.

We hope that in the coming years the Commission will be able to make some significant contributions to the conservation of internationally endangered species of wildlife. It has already established a captive breeding centre for Oryx (*Oryx leucoryx*), gazelles (*Gazella* spp.), and Houbara Bustards (*Chlamydotis undulata*) for reintroduction programmes, and has adopted proposals for the establishment of wildlife sanctuaries.

The Commission is building a reference library, and is actively gathering published materials on scientific work *re* wildlife conservation and development, for which copies of reports, papers, etc., would be welcome and, likewise, inclusion in mailing lists for future publications.

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Canadian Heritage Rivers System

The Canadian Heritage Rivers System (CHRS) is a cooperative programme that was established in 1984 by the federal government and, to date, six provinces (Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan) and Yukon and Northwest Territories. The objectives of the CHRS are to give national recognition to the important rivers of Canada and to ensure long-term management which will conserve their natural, historical, and recreational, values for the benefit of Canadians now and in the future.

The following two tables summarize the eleven rivers, or sections of rivers, included in the System since its inception. The location of these rivers or sections of them is shown in Fig. 1. For more detailed information on the process of nominating/designating rivers or sections of rivers to the System, see *The Canadian Heritage Rivers System: Objectives, Principles, and Procedures* (Parks Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, 24 pp. English + 27 pp. French, January 1984).

The Canadian Heritage Rivers Board has been set up to review nominations and recommend to the federal Environment Minister, and to the provincial or territorial minister of the nominating government, whether or not the nominated rivers meet selection guidelines for the System, and thus should be designated as Canadian Heritage Rivers. The Board consists of one representative each of Environment Canada Parks, Indian and Northern Affairs Ca-



FIG. 1. Sketch-map of Canada showing rivers designated or nominated to the Canadian Heritage Rivers System as of September 1986.