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## PGAIR Hosts Clean Air Forum and Public Dialogue Session for North Central BC Air Quality Managers

The Prince George Air Improvement Roundtable (PGAIR) is pleased to announce the upcoming *North Central BC Clean Air Forum* on March 6-7, 2013 in Prince George, BC.

The goal of this Forum is to bring together air quality managers from communities in North Central BC, researchers, health professionals, educators, and representatives from the industrial, commercial, transportation, and public sectors. The Forum will provide an opportunity for participants to learn about leading practices in airshed planning and industry innovation, as well as, share successes and challenges in multi-stakeholder air quality management.

"Good air quality is vital to our health and working together with many stakeholders ensures positive action for improving air quality in British Columbia," says Mayor Shari Green.

"This forum will provide an opportunity for air quality mangers to discuss the relationship between air quality and their communities' economic, social and environmental vision for the future" says Terry Robert, Executive Director of PGAIR. Mr. Robert would like to invite the public to recommend session topics by posting their ideas on the PGAIR Facebook page and to participate in the March  $6^{th}$  (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm) public session.

## North Central Clean Air Forum – Regular Session (registration fee)

When: March 6, 2013 (1:00pm to 4:00pm) and March 7, 2013 (9:00am to 2:30pm)

Where: Prince George Civic Centre, 808 Civic Plaza Prince George, BC

Registration: Registration is required. The early-bird registration fee (until January 31) is

\$30. The full registration cost is \$50. Please register online at

cleanairforum.eventbrite.ca

## North Central Clean Air Forum – Public Session (free)

When: March 6, 2013 (6:00pm to 8:00pm)

Where: Prince George Civic Centre, 808 Civic Plaza Prince George, BC

Registration: This session is free and registration is not required.

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The PGAIR Society is a group representing a broad spectrum of the community; including the public, government, industry, health agencies, UNBC, PACHA, commercial and transportation sectors. PGAIR is working towards continuous improvement of the air quality within the Prince George airshed, and coordinates various programs and communication initiatives in support of this effort. PGAIR also coordinates research and provides science-based recommendations to various stakeholders and decision making bodies to help improve air quality.