

# Petition to include pesticide reduction in provincial policy

To Ms Lily Stonehouse,  
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Dear Ms Stonehouse,

I understand that the Saskatchewan Government is developing a *Strategy for a Green and Prosperous Economy*. I urge the Saskatchewan government to consider pesticide reduction as part of this strategy.

I believe the April 2004 Ontario College of Family Physicians review shows quite clearly that pesticides are a health issue and that children are especially vulnerable.

I therefore encourage Saskatchewan Environment to include steps to reduce children's exposure to pesticides in the *Strategy for a Green and Prosperous Economy*. These steps could include:

- \* a ban or restrictions on pesticide use in areas heavily used by children including daycares, school yards, sports fields and playgrounds,
- \* the publication of pamphlets and their distribution at medical clinics encouraging parents to reduce their children's exposure to pesticides around home, and
- \* the establishment of an office of organic agriculture and gardening.

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