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## **WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY**

Environment Minister Marion Scrymgour has encouraged Territorians to take part in World Environment Day activities this weekend across the Top End.

“We are lucky to have one of the best environments in the world, and the NT Government is committed to keeping it that way for our children, grand children and great grand children to enjoy,” Ms Scrymgour said.

“World Environment Day aims to raise environmental awareness in our community and encourages action to protect our unique environment.”

Ms Scrymgour said a World Environment Day Expo will be held at the NT Museum on Sunday from 11am – 5pm.

The expo will include information stalls and displays, as well as workshops, children’s activities and live music.

“It’s an opportunity for people to learn all about our unique environment and find out about the different organisations working for the Territory environment,” Ms Scrymgour said.

“Information displays include Gamba and Cabomba, threatened species and cane toads.”

Ms Scrymgour said children’s activities would be the main highlight at Window on the Wetlands, which is celebrating World Environment Day early tomorrow.

“One of the main activities children can get involved in is testing the water quality of samples taken from the nearby Fogg Dam,” she said.

“The children will be able to determine water quality and identify the different types of invertebrates, such as leaches, yabbies, water mites and nymphs.

“Some invertebrates are more sensitive than others, which helps promote the message of how important good quality water is to the environment and the wetlands of the Top End.”

Other activities and attractions include colouring in competitions, static displays, giveaways and a free sausage sizzle from 11am to 2pm, as well as interpretative guides available throughout the day with talks conducted at 9.30am and 2.30pm.