

Get W.E.T. this summer

PRESCOTT-RUSSELL

- This summer, the Water Efficiency Team (W.E.T.) will be actively providing educational materials and in home support for local residents over the next few months again this year.

The program will be offered in the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, the United Counties of Prescott and Russell as well as parts of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and the City of Ottawa that lie within the South Nation watershed. Unfortunately, City of Cornwall residents are located out-

side the program area and are therefore not eligible to participate.

The project is being coordinated by the Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA) in partnership with South Nation Conservation as just one of the components of a water efficiency program financially supported by the Eastern Ontario Water Resources Committee. The goal is to create awareness of environmental issues and water conservation practices at a time of year when it impacts most.

Water levels of the St. Lawrence River and

other waterways in the program area are at record lows this year. It is critical to conserve water due to the lack of availability at this time.

"Everyone must do their part and be cautious this summer" said Normand Génier, RRCA Project Coordinator for the W.E.T. program, "Homeowners are urged to reduce their consumption. Wasteful uses of water such as for cleaning driveways or watering lawns ineffectively at midday are strongly discouraged and as always, should be avoided."

The program will see 150 homes being ret-

rofitted with a variety of water efficient devices such as tap aerators, low flow showerheads, kitchen spray nozzles, toilet dams, and hose nozzles. The installation of just one of each of these items can reduce the household water consumption by over 150 liters per day! It's free. It's first come - first serve.

All home visits must be booked in advance by contacting the Raisin Region Conservation Authority at 613-938-3611. Ask for Laura or Geneviève from the W.E.T. at extension 238.