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## **Gov. Brewer Proclaims Week of Feb. 4 ‘Arizona Green Week 2013’; ADEQ Schedules Number of Student Activities**

PHOENIX (Feb. 1, 2013) – Governor Jan Brewer has proclaimed the week of Feb. 4 as “Arizona Green Week 2013.” In light of this announcement, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has scheduled a number of activities throughout the state to educate and encourage students to become environmental stewards.

Governor Brewer’s proclamation encourages teachers and students to conserve our planet’s natural resources by developing good waste-reduction and recycling practices and conserving energy at school and at home. The “Green Week” activities are part of the Green Education Foundation’s annual project to educate K-12 students on sustainability issues.

“Green Week is a great opportunity to bring our environmental message to Arizona schools,” Gov. Brewer said. “We all have a stake in the clean air we breathe and water we drink, and this is a chance for each of us to learn what we can do to benefit our environment.”

ADEQ will conduct activities in Flagstaff, Hayden, Lake Havasu City, Payson, Scottsdale, Springerville and Tucson as follows:

Flagstaff – On Friday, Feb. 8, about 25 environmental science students from BASIS Flagstaff school, 1700 N. Gemini Drive, will be given a presentation about green building practices by ADEQ and Coconino County staff from 2:50 p.m. until 3:40 p.m.

Hayden -- On Saturday, Feb. 9, demonstrations will be given to Hayden and area students about how computers are disassembled and recycled in the parking lot of Hayden Town Hall, 520 N. Velasco Ave., from 11 a.m. until noon.

Lake Havasu City – On Saturday, Feb. 9, demonstrations will be given to Lake Havasu City students about how computers are disassembled and recycled in the parking lot of the city’s police station, 2360 McCulloch Blvd. North, from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m.

Payson – On Wednesday, Feb. 6, a total of 30 Payson High School ecology students will be given a tour of Northern Gila County Sanitary District’s American Gulch Water Reclamation Facility, 2200 W. Doll Baby Ranch Road, to learn how wastewater is treated and recycled, from 8:45 a.m. until 10 a.m.

Scottsdale – On Tuesday, Feb. 5, ADEQ staff will present Shalom Montessori School, 7300 N. Via Paseo del Sur, with special recognition as the city's first Arizona environmentally healthy school during the K-8 school's afternoon farmer's market activity.

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, ADEQ staff will have a booth with information about sustainability topics at the annual career fair of Coronado High School, 7501 E. Virginia Ave., from 7:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Springerville – On Thursday, Feb. 7, a total of 40 Round Valley Middle School seventh-grade students will be given a tour of Tucson Electric Power's Springerville Generating Station's solar system facility, Apache County Road 4162, to learn about renewable energy and the science behind solar power generation, from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

Tucson – On Friday, Feb. 8, ADEQ staff will assist in conducting a science fair at Khalsa Montessori K-8 School, 3701 E. River Road, and award certificates to nine students who completed a course and performed water tests examining the effects of laundry detergent and graywater on their school's pond from 3:30 p.m. until 5 p.m.

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