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Gov. Brewer Proclaims Week of Feb. 6 ‘Arizona Green Week 2012’; ADEQ Schedules Number of Student Activities

PHOENIX – (Feb. 3, 2012) – Governor Jan Brewer has proclaimed the week of Feb. 6 as “Arizona Green Week 2012.” 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.

“I’m a gardener at heart, and every gardener knows the value of good soil, clean water and clear air,” said Governor Brewer. “Arizona Green Week is about teaching our children simple behaviors that can help them reduce waste, conserve energy and take better care of the planet we all share.”

ADEQ will conduct activities in Cottonwood, Gilbert, Holbrook, Phoenix and Tucson as follows:

Cottonwood – On Saturday, Feb. 11, an electronic waste recycling presentation will be given to Cottonwood boy scouts and girl scouts at the Cottonwood public works yard, 1490 W. Mingus Ave., from noon until 1 p.m.

Gilbert – Ten classroom recycling bins will be delivered to San Tan Learning Center, 1475 S. Higley Road, and about 450 students will begin a school and communitywide paper collection program

Holbrook – On Friday, Feb. 10, a tour of Iberdola Renewables’ Dry Lake Wind Power Project, south of Holbrook, will be conducted for more than 20 Holbrook High School students at 1 p.m.

Phoenix – On Tuesday, Feb. 7, a recycling presentation will be conducted for the Recycling Club, consisting of fourth to eighth graders, at Granada East Elementary School, 3022 W. Campbell Ave., at 2:30 p.m.

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On Tuesday, Feb. 7, a presentation on children's environmental health risks will be given to an early development class at South Mountain High School, 5401 S. Seventh Street, from 8 a.m. until 1:45 p.m.

On Wednesday, Feb. 8, a recycling and pollution prevention activity and presentation will be made to the special needs class at Madison Simis Elementary School, 7302 N. 10th Street, from 9 a.m. until noon.

On Friday, Feb. 10, a presentation on air, water and waste pollution reduction will be given to about 40 senior and freshmen environmental science students at Franklin Police and Fire High School, 1645 W. McDowell Road, from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Tucson – On Tuesday, Feb. 7, a recycling presentation will be made to five kindergarten classes at Drexel Elementary School, 801 E. Drexel Road, beginning at 12:45 p.m.

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