

## *Media Advisory*



**Saskatoon Public Schools**

### **June 8, 2005 - Sturgeons Released into South Saskatchewan River**

Join the students from four classrooms at Saskatoon Public and Saskatoon Catholic Schools as they release eight sturgeons into the South Saskatchewan River.

**Thursday, June 9, 2005**

**12 noon to 1 p.m.**

Meewasin Park (north on Spadina Crescent past 42<sup>nd</sup> Street)

The release is part of the Saskatchewan River Sturgeon Management Board's *Sturgeons in the Schools* program. The Saskatchewan River Sturgeon Management Board was created in 1998 out of a need to prevent further decline of sturgeon in the South Saskatchewan River. *Sturgeons in the Schools* helps to educate students about the importance of lake sturgeon in the Saskatchewan ecosystem.

Thirteen classes each received two sturgeons from the provincial fish hatchery in Qu'Appelle in March. The classes were equipped with aquariums and the students were taught how to care for the fish.

Those bringing greetings at this event include the Minister of Environment, the Honourable David Forbes, and Susan Lamb, CEO of the Meewasin Valley Authority. Other organizations represented include Partners for the Saskatchewan River Basin, Saskatoon Catholic and Saskatoon Public Schools.

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