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North Dakotans Encouraged to Celebrate Earth Day

BISMARCK, N.D. – Earth Day will be celebrated worldwide on April 22, 2018. Throughout North Dakota, various events will be held to foster awareness of the state’s natural resources and demonstrate support for environmental protection.

In Bismarck, the 11th annual Earth Day Festival will take place April 19 at the Bismarck Career Academy, 1221 College Drive, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, and the event will include activities for all ages. Organizations involved include the North Dakota Department of Health, North Dakota Solid Waste and Recycling Association, Coalition for Conservation and Environmental Education, Earth Day Planning Committee and Keep North Dakota Clean.

“Protecting and preserving our natural resources is important to the citizens of North Dakota,” said Diana Trussell, manager of the North Dakota Department of Health’s Solid Waste Program. “Earth Day is an opportunity for North Dakotans to adopt conservation habits that will bring about a cleaner, safer and healthier environment for present and future generations.”

Earth Day reminds citizens to join the progress already being made in North Dakota. For example, the city of Bismarck collects an average of 400 tons of recyclables each month through its curbside recycling program. In addition to recycling, other simple ways to celebrate on April 22, and every day, include taking public transportation or carpooling, turning off the lights when leaving a room, planting a tree and using renewable resources when possible.

For more information about Bismarck’s Earth Day Festival visit: <https://www.facebook.com/BismarckEarthDayFestival>, or contact Diana Trussell, North Dakota Department of Health, at 701.328.5166.

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