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I send greetings to those observing National Environmental Crime Prevention Week.

Americans can be proud of the remarkable progress we have made in protecting our environment and natural resources. After decades of hard work, our air is cleaner; our waters are less polluted; and our public lands are better protected, better managed, and more accessible to our citizens. Individuals, community and other private sector groups, and government organizations are helping to maintain our abundant natural resources through good stewardship to help ensure a high quality of life for future generations. My Administration is committed to preserving our environment, and we will continue to enforce environmental laws and prosecute those who violate them.

I commend our Nation's environmental law enforcers whose innovative programs and cooperative efforts help protect our natural resources. By working together, we can improve the quality of our air, land, and water for years to come.

Laura joins me in sending our best wishes for an educational week.

George Bush