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Kahnawa'kehró:non invited to join the Annual Christmas Bird Count

(Kahnawake - 6, Tsothóhrha/December 2023)

The Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office (KEPO) would like to inform the community that they will be leading Kahnawà:ke's participation in the annual Christmas Bird Count on **Saturday**, **December 16**, **2023**. Kahnawa'kehró:non interested in participating are asked to contact KEPO to register.

Two teams will begin at sunrise, continue until late afternoon, and cover specific areas in the community.

The Inland Team will be in the areas of Big Fence, Tekakwitha Island, green spaces along the seaway, old railroad tracks, Tower Road, the golf clubs along the 207, and common lands near Highway 30.

The Seaway Team will be in the area of the North Wall from the Ste. Catherine locks to the end of the Kahnawà:ke land base.

The Teams have been instructed to stay on the main roads described above to avoid disturbing homeowners or private properties.

KEPO has participated in the Bird Count for many years and supports this initiative, which gathers valuable bird population data. Bird Protection Quebec has been conducting the Annual Christmas Bird Count for 88 years in the Montreal area. The area covered by this survey is a 24-km wide circle centered in Montreal West.

For more information and to sign up to participate, please contact KEPO at **450-635-0600** or environmentprotection@mck.ca.