BLM 5-24

Environmental Investigation

Work in groups of 2 or 3.

- 1. Identify an environmentally related problem to investigate. Some examples might be:
 - a specific type of pollution
 - a specific resource consumption
 - population growth
 - a type of genetically engineered food
 - fuels for transportation
 - new technologies for generating electricity
- 2. Make a hypothesis about your problem.
- **3.** Obtain data about your problem from a reliable source, such as Statistics Canada's E-STAT Web site.
- **4.** Analyse the data and identify an appropriate model.
- 5. Fit the model to the data. Identify any assumptions you make.
- 6. Use the model to predict the situation for your problem 20 years from now.
- 7. Identify possible changes that could be made to reduce the impact of your problem on society.
- **8.** Present your problem and solutions to the class. Use appropriate visual aids such as graphs or tables.

