

# Stop the motors!

The park's users, as well as neighbourhood residents, are asking for your collaboration to reduce the idling of vehicles and buses. Here are some good reasons to put a stop to vehicles running at idle:



- **People's health:** leaving the motor running at idle contributes significantly to the emission of carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxide and nitrous oxide, which greatly contribute to smog.

- **People's wallets:** turning off the motor helps save gas as well as money. In only one hour of running at idle, a diesel motor burns approximately 4 litres of fuel. If a vehicle runs at idle only 5 hours a week, reducing idling time can save over \$1000 a year<sup>1</sup>.



Idling also represents additional maintenance costs and leads to the premature wear of a vehicle's mechanics.

- **The environment:** Idling is a major cause of greenhouse gas but one of the simplest to keep in check.
- **Respect for applicable regulations:** The city of Québec prohibits diesel vehicles from running idle for over 5 minutes per sixty-minute slice, and imposes a fine to offenders.



- **Respect for people living in the area:** not only because of the odours generated but also because of the noise emitted by running motors.

The National Battlefields Commission thanks you for ensuring that the sector's users and residents are respected and the environment is protected.

<sup>1</sup> At \$1.02 for a litre of diesel

