



Media Release

Tay River Planting Day A Success!

PERTH, ONTARIO, May 8, 2013 – Special thanks to the more than 30 enthusiastic volunteer planters who helped restore the shore at the Town of Perth Water Treatment Plant & Operation Facility. Over 1,000 bare root and potted trees and shrubs were planted to reduce erosion, enhance wildlife habitat, filter contaminants, slow stormwater runoff and contribute to the safety of Perth's drinking water supplies.

"It was a great turn out on a great day to do great work," said Andrea Klymko, RVCA Shoreline Stewardship Program Manager. "We are very grateful to the community for their involvement and to our many partners: Community Stewardship Council of Lanark County, ecoPerth, Friends of the Tay, Town of Perth and the Upper Canada District School Board."

This community shoreline naturalization project is just one way the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority (RVCA) is looking to enhance local river habitats. Waterfront property owners are encouraged to take advantage of the RVCA's Shoreline Naturalization Program that offers technical guidance and financial assistance to those interested in naturalizing their shorelines. "If you live along a river, creek, stream or lake in the Rideau watershed," says Klymko, "we are interested in helping you plan and plant your shore. We'll even help you pay for it."

In 2012, RVCA completed 43 shoreline projects, planting over 13,000 trees and shrubs to naturalize over 3.8 kilometres of shores.

To learn about the RVCA's Shoreline Naturalization Program, please contact Andrea Klymko at andrea.klymko@rvca.ca, 613-692-3571 or 1-800-267-3504 ext. 1173.

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