Watershed Watch *Newsletter*



Talbot River Healthy Environment Initiative

The <u>Talbot River Healthy Environment</u> <u>Initiative</u> provided technical and financial support for agricultural Best Management Practices (BMPs) in the Upper Talbot River subwatershed. Eligible projects included tree and shrub planting, livestock exclusion fencing, alternate watering systems, and more.



World Migratory Bird Day

Kawartha Conservation proudly announces a fun and educational celebration of World Migratory Bird Day on Saturday, May 11th. This event promises an engaging opportunity to appreciate the journeys of migratory birds and the importance of their conservation. Join us in learning more about these remarkable travelers by visiting our website for further details.



Ospreys are common sights over shorelines, patrolling waterways, and standing on their huge stick nests.



As the last remnants of winter finally melt away, the vibrant hues of spring emerge, signaling the start of a busy season for Kawartha Conservation. With the arrival of warmer temperatures, our dedicated staff are eager to step outdoors and kick off the much-anticipated field season. After months of preparation, our projects are now in full swing, and we are thrilled to bring the public along for the journey. From restoring natural habitats to monitoring water guality, our team is committed to preserving and enhancing the environmental integrity of the Kawartha region.

This spring, expect to see us out in the field, diligently working on a variety of initiatives aimed at safeguarding our precious natural resources. Whether it's conducting species surveys, implementing erosion control measures, or engaging in community outreach, our efforts are geared towards creating a sustainable future for generations to come.

As we embark on this season of growth and renewal, we invite you to stay connected with us for updates on our projects and opportunities to get involved. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the conservation of our local environment.

- Carolyn Snider, Administrative Support Conservation Programs



Landowner and Community Support, Ola Pasternak, securing a clean water partner sign as part of the Talbot River Healthy Environment Initiative.

Durham Eco Corridor Project

Exciting developments are underway at Durham East Cross Forest, where Kawartha Conservation and its community partners are embarking on a transformative three-year journey to enhance the ecological integrity of the area with the creation of the Durham Eco Corridor. Nestled within this natural oasis, the project aims to enhance the hydro corridor to a vibrant mix of wetland, meadow, and tall grass communities, crucial for the diverse flora and fauna that call it home.



Annual Garlic Mustard Pull

Join Kawartha Conservation on Friday, May 24 for the 15th annual Garlic Mustard Pull at Ken Reid Conservation Area. Volunteers and staff will meet at the former beach parking lot to begin removing invasive garlic mustard plants. Volunteers are welcome to stay for as long as they are able, with the event finishing once all garlic mustard plants have been removed. For more information visit the link below.

<u>Volunteer Info</u>



Overview of the Durham East Cross Forest hydro corridor.



Volunteers and Kawartha Conservation staff worked together to remove invasive Garlic Mustard plants. For more information on how Kawartha Conservation can help. Conservation Lands: conservationareas@kawarthaconservation.com General info: geninfo@kawarthaconservation.com Permitting: permits@kawarthaconservation.com Planning: planning@kawarthaconservation.com