

AUGUST 2016



LOCATION:
Heart Lake Road, Etobicoke Creek Watershed

DATE:
Friday, August 26, 2016

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
Region of Peel, City of Brampton

PARTNERS:
Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA), Region of Peel, City of Brampton, Conservation Youth Corps
Peel Region



Watershed Wide Cleanup at Heart Lake Road with Peel Conservation Youth Corps

An enthusiastic group of 23 students from Peel Conservation Youth Corp (CYC) participated in a Watershed Wide Cleanup along Heart Lake Road to protect sensitive ecosystems in this area.

The group were educated on adverse effects of contamination in the wetlands and the valuable contribution clean-up efforts play in protecting these sensitive areas.

The day's activities included removing litter, garbage and construction debris along the edge of the road and ditches leading to the designated Provincially Significant Wetlands bordering Heart Lake Road. This area is heavily impacted by illegal dumping allowing contaminants and pollutants to enter the system which threaten local waterbodies and wildlife.

Students were equipped with safety gear, TRCA staff provided road safety protocols and they divided into groups to collect and remove debris.

This stewardship activity allowed students to better understand these important ecosystems and their value to both human and wildlife health.



POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

# of Garbage bags Collected	Weight in Lbs	# of Participants	Participant Hrs Contributed
14	192 Lbs.	23	69