

WATERSHED *moments*



LOCATION:
Milne Dam Conservation Park, Rouge River Watershed

DATE:
Saturday September 28, 2019

REGION/MUNICIPALITY:
York Region, City of Markham

IN COLLABORATION WITH:
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA),
City of Markham, TD Employees and Families and
Local Residents



Milne Dam Conservation Park, Community-Based Restoration Planting with TD Employees and Local Residents

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), in collaboration with the City of Markham and the TD Tree Days Program hosted a native tree and shrub planting for TD employees, their families and local residents at a greenspace area along the Rouge River close to Milne Dam.

To start the event, TRCA staff and the TD Tree Days site leader welcomed the group and provided a short safety talk and planting demonstration. Following the instructions, the enthusiastic participants quickly got to work planting 450 native trees and shrubs to help restore the natural area.

In addition to planting, a portion of plant material was tagged with a unique ID number as part of TRCA's Young Tree Monitoring and Maintenance Program (YTMP). This initiative engages participants as citizen scientists and a maintenance strategy is implemented for three to five years to; collect tree measurements, record general observations, provide necessary maintenance to control invasive vegetation, and track success of plants.

Activities of this nature engage participants to be involved in improving the overall health and function of the watershed and provide a greater appreciation and understanding of natural spaces within urbanized environments.



Positive Environmental Impacts

Vegetation Planted	# of Pieces Planted	Total Area Enhanced (sq.m.)	# of Participants	Participant Hrs Contributed
Trees	160	400	40	160
Shrubs	290	450		
Total	450	850	40	160

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