

Learn to care for land and water with CVC

Find out how to enhance a rural property with guidance from Credit Valley Conservation (CVC).

CVC invites landowners to participate in its upcoming Caring for Your Land and Water workshop. The event takes place Oct. 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Alton Library Community Room.

"This workshop is a great way for landowners to learn about their rural property and create an action plan to help protect the environment," said CVC's Deputy CAO and Director of Watershed Transformation Mike Puddister. "We provide tools, information and now funding that makes it easier for workshop participants to go from a plan to taking action."

Workshop participants will create a Landowner Action Plan for their properties. Examples of actions are planting native species, following a regular septic maintenance schedule or a native grassland restoration project.

Following the workshop, participants can schedule a site visit for technical assistance and become eligible to apply for funding through the Landowner Action Fund (LAF). LAF provides grants to rural landowners for environmental projects that range from 50 to 100 per cent. Grants are subject to eligibility and caps.

Lunch will be provided at the workshop and all participants receive custom maps of their property.

"This workshop far exceeded my expectations," said a past participant. "The personalized property maps really helped. Thank you for offering this workshop."

Workshops are free, thanks to funding from CVC's regional and municipal partners. Interested landowners should reside in the Credit River watershed and own at least one acre of rural property. Register by Oct. 16 at www.creditvalleyca.ca/events

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