

Planting to protect Silver Creek

Volunteers are urged to put their green thumbs to work and join Ontario Nature and the Credit Valley Conservation Youth Corps at Willoughby Nature Reserve this coming Wednesday (Aug. 17) to help plant native species along Silver Creek.

The planting will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Located in Caledon Hills along the Oak Ridges Moraine, Willoughby Nature Reserve is recognized as a significant natural area in the Niagara Escarpment Plan. By planting native species, participants will be helping to protect Silver Creek and the surrounding Credit Valley Watershed.

“This stewardship event will enhance the already incredible diversity of plant and animal life on the reserve,” Smera Sukumar, conservation science assistant at Ontario Nature, observed. “Participants will have the chance to explore the beautiful Caledon Hills while contributing to its ecological health.”

Participants are asked to bring a bagged lunch, re-fillable water bottle, and wear long pants and closed-toe shoes. Ontario Nature will provide granola bars, water and some gardening gloves and trowels, but people are asked to bring their own if they have them.

Registration details and further information is available at www.ontarionature.org/connect/blog/event/streambank-planting

Meet at the gate on Kennedy Road, between Escarpment Sideroad and The Grange Sideroad.