



Habitat Restoration Project 2007  
- Cobourg Brook: Baltimore, Ontario -

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## Ball Property Riparian Live Shrub Staking Planting

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The Ball property hosted a stream clean up of woody debris in the summer of 2006. At that time it was determined that there were two areas where the banks had suffered erosion due to the excessive woody debris. To remedy the erosion it was decided that some additional riparian vegetation would be needed and may remedy the erosion. In the spring of 2007, two OFAH staff planted 100 live shrub stakes. Live staking is a method whereby the cutting of species, such as dogwoods or willows, are staked directly into a stream bank and left to root on their own. This is an inexpensive, yet highly effective method of increasing the riparian vegetation. The riparian area equaled 150 m<sup>2</sup> and took OFAH staff 1 hour to plant the 100 dogwood plants.



Figure 1: Live shrub staking.