



Habitat Restoration Project 2009

- Duffins Creek: Pickering, Ontario -

Bushwood Golf Course Cedar Thicket Planting

Habitat Project Lead: *Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH)*

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The Bushwood Golf Course Cedar Thicket Planting project is located upstream of the 'Dogwood and Cedar Planting' on the Transport Canada Pickering Lands property rented to Bushwood Golf Course. The site is a wet area between the stream and a golf fairway with no large trees (figure 1).



Figure 1: Cedar Thicket Planting site on Bushwood Golf Course.

This project enhanced the riparian cover, improved water temperatures, minimized erosion and sediment deposition and aided in nutrient uptake. On November 27th, 15 volunteers (30 hours) from Dunbarton High School in Pickering planted 150 trees (figure 2). Eastern white cedar field clumps (six foot) were planted along the stream (figure 3). The total planted area for this project was 986m² and length of Duffins Creek enhanced was 84m.



Figure 2: High school students gather to be given planting instructions at Bushwood Golf Course.



Figure 3: OFAH truck with 6ft cedars in back ready to be planted along Duffins Creek.