



## Habitat Restoration Project 2009

- Duffins Creek: Pickering, Ontario -

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### Bushwood Golf Course Dogwood and Cedar Planting

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

Habitat Project Funding Lead: *Canada-Ontario Agreement*

Date Completed: *August 5, 2009*

The Bushwood Golf Course Dogwood and Cedar Planting project was located upstream of the bridge at York-Durham Line 30 on the Transport Canada Pickering Lands property rented to Bushwood Golf Course. The site is a golf course with little riparian vegetation along Duffins Creek. The area planted was devoid of cover where the stream runs through the golf fairways (figure 1). This project enhanced the riparian cover, improved water temperatures, minimized erosion and sediment deposition and aided in nutrient uptake. On August 5<sup>th</sup>, seven volunteers (56 hours) from the CSSP and Port Perry MNRF Stewardship Rangers planted 150 shrubs and 150 trees. Potted red osier dogwood shrubs were planted along the stream bank on both sides of the creek and 6ft eastern white cedar field clumps were planted along the stream in between the fairways (figure 2 & 3). The total planted area for this project was 1,828m<sup>2</sup> and length of Duffins Creek enhanced was 172m.



Figure 1: Planting site at Bushwood Golf Course.



Figure 2: Volunteers planting cedars along Duffins Creek on Bushwood Golf Course.



Figure 3: Team of volunteers who planted cedars on Bushwood Golf Course on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009.