



Habitat Restoration Project 2014
- Humber River: Palgrave, Ontario -

Albion Hills Conservation Area TD Tree Day Planting

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

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The OFAH, Ontario Streams (one staff) and 27 TD Tree Day event volunteers (81 person-hours) returned to the Albion Hills Conservation Area to continue with the TD Tree Day reforestation plan started in 2013. Together we planted 201 large potted trees on a hillside of a drainage area that flows into the Humber River at the Albion Hills Conservation Area. On this project the Atlantic Salmon Program partnered with the TRCA, who mowed the field to make digging easier for volunteers. Large potted native tree species were planted to increase the chance of survival by out-growing the surrounding grasses in the 2,500m² planting area dominated by tall hard-stemmed grasses. The trees will improve Atlantic Salmon habitat by filtering harmful contaminants such as salt from the adjacent highway before they enter the creek.



Figure 1: Albion Hills Conservation Area TD Tree Day site with an OFAH co-op student holding a tree.



Figure 2: Albion Hills Conservation Area TD Tree Day site with trees sitting out for volunteers.



Figure 3: TD Tree Day volunteers planting a tree.



Figure 4: Volunteers with a maple tree.



Figure 5: Volunteers planting a large spruce tree at the edge of the planting area.



Figure 6: Albion Hills Conservation Area TD Tree Day group after planting all of the trees.