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# RVCA News Release

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## COMMUNITY SHORELINE TREE PLANT ON SAWMILL CREEK — CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

MANOTICK, April 11, 2006 — The City Stream Watch program in cooperation with Heron Park Community Association is holding a shoreline planting project on Sawmill Creek on Saturday May 6 from 9 am to 1 pm. This is Phase II of the Sawmill Creek Rehabilitation Project started in 2005. This year's focus will be to stabilize the upper part of the streambank and plant trees on two other eroded sections nearby.

Our goal is to restore a failed bank on the east side of the stream just north of Heron Road. In Phase I of this project the lower sections of bank, close to the stream did well throughout the growing season although many trees were lost on the upper portion of the bank due to trampling and dry conditions. In Phase II, we are planting more vegetation on the upper bank failure as well as filling in necessary sections that may have been washed away by spring flows.

Any time that you can give is helpful and appreciated. All necessary equipment is provided and there is no cost to volunteers. This is a great chance for members of the community to get involved in making their parks more beautiful and healthy. Crews will be meeting at 9am on May 6, 2006 at Heron Park Community Centre, which is located at the north end of Clover Street off of Heron Road (between Riverside and Bank).

To find information about the City Stream Watch Program or to learn more about Phase I of this project please visit: [www.rideauvalley.on.ca/programs/streamwatch/index.htm](http://www.rideauvalley.on.ca/programs/streamwatch/index.htm). Interested volunteers are asked to sign up by contacting Grant Nichol, City Stream Watch Coordinator at 580-2424 ext 22886 or [grant.nichol@ottawa.ca](mailto:grant.nichol@ottawa.ca).

City Stream Watch is a community environmental partnership program sponsored by City of Ottawa, Environment Committee of Ottawa South, Heron Park Community Association, National Defence Headquarters Fish and Game Club, Ottawa Flyfishers Society, Rideau Roundtable and Rideau Valley Conservation Authority.

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