



2011/12 WORK PLAN

YOUTH PROGRAMS:

- **Outdoor Education Programs at North Hastings High School**—support for Northern Outdoor Studies (NOS) and Northern Environmental Research & Development Studies (NERDS)
- **Rod Malloy Memorial Award**—awarded annually to 2 deserving students that have demonstrated a passion and commitment to natural resource management
- **Youth Hunting Day**— one day event to foster youth awareness and appreciation of wildlife and the outdoors

FORESTRY:

- **Tree Planting Program**— providing low-cost tree and shrub seedlings to landowners through partnerships with the forest industry and Trees Ontario
- **Bancroft Area Forest Industry Association**—administrative and project support
- **Forestry Field Day**— one day educational program for youth on sustainable forestry
- **Trenton Woodlot Conference**— one day conference on woodlot management and land stewardship
- **Forestry Extension Services**—advice on sustainable forest management (i.e. MFTIP)



Reforestation of a blow-down site

FISH AND WILDLIFE:

- **Take A Kid Fishing Program**— winners from a fish habitat poster contest enjoy a day of fishing with Conservation Officers and volunteers
- **North Hastings Community Fish Hatchery**— community facility raising a unique local strain of lake trout for stocking in local lakes
- **Community Fisheries Assessment Program**— assessing cold water streams for Brook Trout
- **Hunting and Fishing News**—partnership publication providing local information on fish and wildlife populations and recreational opportunities
- **Nesting Box Program**— providing low-cost blue bird houses and bat boxes
- **Birds of Bancroft Checklist**—reprinting, distribution and sales of this informative local bird guide
- **Species at Risk**—monitoring surveys and educational materials

WATER AND WETLANDS:

- **Lakeland Alliance**—a regional collaborative of agencies working together to protect water quality and promote watershed stewardship; offer a Shoreline Advisor Program
- **Lakeland Conference**—annual one-day educational expo for waterfront property owners
- **Wetland Field Day**—interactive day-long program for public school students to learn about the value and importance of wetlands



Students learn about the value of creeks at the Wetland Field Day

AGRICULTURE:

- **Hastings County Farm Show**—two day outdoor tradeshow held in south Hastings County
- **Harvest Hastings**—county-wide initiative to promote farming at all scales
- **Community Elk Fund** — providing funding for farmers to implement projects that address human-elk conflicts on agricultural lands

COMMUNITY:

- **Nurture Nature Series**— educational sessions on a variety of natural resource themes held monthly from April to October with 3 local partner organizations
- **Community Events**—support for and educational displays at numerous community events
- **BASC Community Stewardship Award**—annual award recognizing an individual and a business that make significant contributions to private land stewardship
- **South Central Ontario FireSmart Committee**— collaborative of agencies and municipalities working together to prevent rural wildfires
- **Trails Awareness Project**— signage campaign to reduce environmental footprint by multi—purpose trail users



Nurture Nature Series—
Wildlife CSI session



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