

Investing in  
people  
AND  
green  
infrastructure



The Greening Strategy  
is key to achieving the  
**2015 TO 2019  
CORPORATE  
STRATEGIC PLAN**  
objective to preserve  
green spaces

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Attachment 1



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# 2015 GREENING STRATEGY ACHIEVEMENTS

The Greening Strategy promotes on the ground action that supports healthy natural environments. It plants the seeds of inspiration for young and old alike to cultivate sustainable communities, now and for the future.

## ENHANCEMENT AND REHABILITATION

Focusing on increasing forest cover by offering incentives, subsidies and partnerships for public and private land tree planting.

## STEWARDSHIP AND EDUCATION

Offering unique programs and events to provide opportunities for residents to connect with nature and be inspired to act.

## PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION

Continuing to work collaboratively to protect the Regional Greenlands System and key linkages.

## LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION

Demonstrating leadership through innovative opportunities to share knowledge and seek new technologies.

18,300  
residents engaged through  
187 EVENTS

Planted  
94,637 TREES

Protected  
73.9 HECTARES  
of Greenlands System

VIRTUAL TOUR  
of York Regional Forest North Tract  
ACCESSIBLE TRAIL  
goes live

3,328 TREES  
planted on urban streetscapes

3,000  
participants in  
Emerald Ash Borer  
outreach programming

Take A Walk events at  
90% CAPACITY

More than  
50,000  
residents reached  
through a variety of media

EXPANDED  
greening school grounds partnership  
with Evergreen Foundation to include  
York Region District School Board

Bill Fisch Forest Stewardship  
and Education Centre received  
WOOD DESIGN AWARD

1,164 TREES  
planted under the Emerald  
Ash Borer Management Plan

Leveraged  
\$2.9M  
through partnerships  
(1.5 times Regional contribution)

10,000  
Forests of York Region calendars  
to residents and community centres

Town of Newmarket  
Urban Forest Study estimates  
40 TONNES OF AIR POLLUTION  
REMOVED ANNUALLY  
by the town's urban forest

7.5 HECTARES  
of new forest cover achieved on  
York Region wastewater facility property

Stakeholders engaged through phase 1 of  
YORK REGION STRATEGIC  
FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN  
development

