# SPONSOR REPORT





# GREAT PARTNERSHIPS ACCOMPLISH GREAT THINGS TOGETHER!

Sponsor since 2005
Trees planted to date: 104,911

### **Our Partnership**

Since the beginning of our partnership in 2005, Caron Industries and Tree Canada have worked together to plant seedlings across the country through Tree Canada's *National Greening Program*. Caron Industries' combined contributions in 2017 and 2018 helped in the planting of 2,667 trees across Canada and an additional 3,043 trees in the US.

Trees provide many benefits, such as providing habitat for wildlife, capturing carbon, stabilizing soil, restoring watersheds, purifying water, and beautifying our landscape. Thanks to the planting of trees, our forests become the perfect setting to host a variety of recreational, cultural, traditional and spiritual pursuits that Canadians hold in high value.

Tree Canada is proud to be working with Caron Industries, and we look forward to many more years of working together towards our shared goal of *growing better places to live*.





## **Program Summary**

Tree Canada's National Greening Program aims to re-establish forests on abandoned agricultural land, and to restore wooded areas across Canada that have been affected by wildfire, invasive insects or damaging winds.

In 2017, Caron Industries' contribution resulted in the planting of 1,667 seedling across all five Canadian regions.





#### **British** Columbia

Location: McLeod Lake, BC

Landowner: Justin Chingee-First Nation



- Project details: seedlings will help re-establish forest cover after an epidemic of invasive Mountain Pine Beetle and Spruce Beetle that disseminated the area. The seedlings were a mix of lodgepole pine & hybrid spruce trees
- Environmental impact: the newly-planted trees will provide moisture retention for soil, recreational opportunities for locals and visitors, as well as the re-establishment of forest to help protect fauna

#### **Prairies**

Location: Portage la Prairie, MB

Landowner: Long Plain First Nation



- Project details: mass planting of seedlings at the Portage la Prairie is helping replace trees blown down in the 2016 Tornado. Species of trees planted are white spruce
- Environmental impact: Trees planted will provide multiple benefits including watershed protection, soil erosion control, shelter, shade, noise/dust reduction, recreational benefits, educational opportunities and wildlife habitat

#### Ontario

Location: Sudbury, ON

**Landowner**: City of Greater Sudbury



- Project details: the purpose is to reclaim industrial damaged lands and increase the native diversity of plants by adding understory trees and shrubs to compliment already existing mature trees such as vellow birch, hemlock, and ironwood
- Environmental impact: provide food and shelter to local wildlife, stabilize soil from further erosion, improve water quality of local lakes and provide and ongoing seed source for the area and adjacent lands. By creating several nodes of diversity and creating sustainable forest ecosystem, the forests of today will be better able to spread and survive into the further with climate change and other influencing factors

#### Quebec

Location: Kazabazua, QC

Landowner: Koit Lodu



- Project details: the purpose of this project was to replace jack pine that has been affected by Cronartium Comptonial (Sweet Fern Rust). The site is being restored through the planting of red pine
- Environmental impact: trees were needed to protect the watershed by helping mitigate erosion, and to improve habitat for fish and wildlife

#### **Atlantic**

**Location**: Rock Port, NB



**Landowner**: Community Forest International

- Project details: this project was designed to restore heavily degraded abandoned farmlands. Tree species include a mix representing the native Acadian Forest
- Environmental impact: to restore a diverse Acadian Forest that will be maintained for maximum environmental and social benefit. The planted trees will help rehabilitate the watershed and wildlife corridors



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4.043 in total

#### **Lytton First** Nation, BC

Planting native species of seedlings will help re-establish forest cover loss due to wildfires five years ago, since the site currently shows little to no natural regeneration. Species planted include: douglas fir, yellow pine, lodgepole pine and spruce.



The newly-planted trees will provide moisture retention for soil, recreational opportunities for locals and visitors, as well as the re-establishment of forest to help protect fauna.

#### **Northwest** of Canora, SK

This site was purchased by the Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation for environmental and conservation values. Trees will help restore these areas with forest cover of native species to increase species diversity.



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In addition to increased biodiversity, trees will improve wildlife habitat, create wildlife corridors, and will improve soil stabilization as well as the hydrological features of the

# Bridgenorth,

Seedlings were planted adjacent to a watercourse and near to a Provincial Significant Wetland. These seedlings will help to restore the site's environmental value by improving the hydrological system this site is a part of.



Trees will help restore the watershed by increasing the water retention capacity of the area. Trees will also create additional habitat and corridors between adjacent forested areas and will strengthen the entire area's ecological connectivity.

#### Thorne, QC

The purpose of this project is to restore forest cover on abandoned farmland now owned by the Community of Ladysmith. The property is located next to the public road and will be restored by planting red pine.



Trees will help to provide wildlife habitat, increase forest cover and mitigate soil erosion caused by farming activities.

#### Elgin, NB

Trees planted on this site will contribute to forest ecosystem restoration by planting native tree species within a critical wildlife connectivity corridor near the community of Elgin. The goal is to restore the endangered Acadian Forest ecosystem which is ideal for storing carbon due to its moist climate and very low risk of fire.



The restoration of this Acadian Forest ecosystem will improve wildlife habitat and hydrology, and will become a prime region for focusing climate change resilience efforts.

### **Douglas** County, WI

The purpose of this project is to increase forest land in order to provide protection and food source for local wildlife, and to protect the local watershed - acting as a buffer to contaminants such as nitrates or phosphorus. A mix of red pine and jack pine were planted in the area.



Trees will improve water quality, air quality, and aesthetics. More importantly, they will help protect watersheds and preserve rare plant species and animal species in the region by providing a safer environment, food and shade, and improving their habitat.



