



You are invited to attend the annual ALUS Norfolk Environmental Stewardship Tour

8:30 – 9:15 Welcome and Registration

Burning Kiln Winery,
1709 Front Road, St. Williams, Ontario

9:30 Departure (by bus)

Site 1: Timpf Farm – Oak Savannah, Dune Restoration & Pollinator Hedgerow

A field of blow sand was re-contoured to create a dune and savannah ecosystem. native trees, grasses and forbs were planted to establish this uncommon habitat. (2014)

Guest Speakers: Welcoming statements by Chris Van Paassen (ALUS Norfolk PAC Chair); Mary Gartshore (Consultant Biologist) "Restoring Oak Savannahs"

Site 2: Coon Farm – Wetland Creation, Riparian & Slope Reforestation, Tallgrass Prairie, Hickenbottom Water Control

Three wetlands were created on marginal farmland adjacent to a creek that was prone to flooding. Invasive species were removed and native trees, grasses and wetland species were planted to stabilize the slope and provide a riparian buffer. Cool season grasses were planted along the waterway now controlled by the Hickenbottom structure. (2014)

Guest Speakers: Glenn Coon (Landowner); Paul Gagnon (Long Point Region Conservation Authority - Lands & Waters Supervisor) "Creating Wetlands in a Floodplain"

12:30 LUNCH – Burning Kiln Winery (1709 Front Road, St. Williams, Ontario)

Lunch will be catered by David's Restaurant. ***Suggested \$10.00 donation***

Guest Speakers: *Greetings from our local political representatives;* Megan MacLean M.Sc (Formerly University of Guelph) "Alternative Land Use Services Farmers and Environmental Stewardship"

Site 3: Burning Kiln Winery – OSCWGA Market Partner – Wetland Enhancement, Riparian Reforestation, Tallgrass Prairie

A former irrigation pond was expanded to create a littoral zone and enhanced with native vegetation. Tallgrass prairie species were planted in 16' wide buffer strips for gully erosion control as well as in a 1.5 acre area of marginal farmland. (2009, 2014)

Guest Speakers: Karen Matthews & Mike McArthur on the ALUS-OSCWGA Partnership and consumer response to ALUS projects.

Site 4: Long Point Eco-Adventures – Tallgrass Prairie, Wetland Creation and Mixed Hardwood Wind Break

7.5 acres of Tallgrass Prairie were planted on retired farmland. A large wetland was created in a floodplain adjacent to the prairie and wind breaks were established along the road edge.

Guest Speakers: Adam Van Paassen (LPEA Manager), Bryan Gilvesy (ALUS Canada) Final Remarks

3:00 Consider a \$5 flight of wine samples at the Burning Kiln Winery to end your day!

Register Early! Space is limited to 120 guests

Please RSVP by August 19, 2015 to alusnorfolk@alus.ca

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