Saanich Riparian Restoration Course

Riparian Restoration Workshop

February 15-16, 2017

Feb. 15 – 09:00 am to 5:00 pm (classroom*) Feb. 16 – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (field session)

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Description:

Restoration is the process of assisting the recovery of sites that have been degraded, damaged or destroyed. In this course we will learn about how we can apply soil bioengineering techniques to treat an eroding streambank. Soil bioengineering is an applied science that uses live plant materials to perform an engineering function such as slope stabilization, soil erosion control or seepage control. This restoration workshop will focus on techniques that use live cuttings from willows to stabilize eroding streambanks.





Instructor:

David F. Polster, M.Sc., RPBio, is a plant ecologist with about 40 years of experience in vegetation studies, reclamation and invasive species management. He has developed a wide variety of restoration techniques for mines, industrial developments and steep/ unstable slopes and for reestablishment of riparian and aquatic habitats.

The course will focus on use of natural processes and systems to restore drastically disturbed sites, including streambanks and riparian areas.

Who should attend:

- Local stream-keepers
- Saanich staff, including Public Works, Parks, and Environmental Services
- Environmental organizations
- Golf course superintendents
- Watershed stewardship groups

*SPACE IS LIMITED:

Pre-registration required:

Course Fee (includes GST, lunch on Day 1 & manual):

\$25 - Students

\$100 – Landowners and residents in the watershed

\$150 –municipal staff, NGOs, residents outside of Saanich

Register by e-mail or mail to: Jessica Hrechka, <u>j_hrechka@hotmail.com</u>, (664 Vanalman Ave., Victoria BC V8Z 3B1)

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