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Shell Canada donates \$15,000 for wetland remediation in Lambton County



Lambton Shores, August 23, 2021..... The Lambton Shores Phragmites Community Group is working towards getting rid of invasive Phragmites *australis*. These plants are detrimental to wildlife and threaten native species. Efforts to manage this aggressive non-native reed include using amphibious machines to “cut-to-drown” in the Wood Drive Coastal Wetland in Lambton Shores. There are a multitude of environmental benefits that come from removing Phragmites from the wetland such as re-establishing greater diversity of native plant species, improving water quality, as well as improving fishing, boating, birding and swimming. Shell donated \$15,000 to the efforts being driven by the Lambton Shores Phragmites Community Group. Nancy Vidler, Chair of the group said, “We are thrilled that Shell Canada is supporting our habitat remediation efforts at one of Lambton County’s ecological gems though their sizeable financial contribution.”

Lambton Shores Phragmites Community Group is a volunteer-based organization which, along with numerous like-minded partners, has undertaken several wetland enhancement projects, organized educational workshops, engaged in numerous outreach events and successfully obtained funding from government and private entities. It has a proven track record for facilitating and managing Phragmites control efforts in an effective, efficient and environmentally responsible manner to enhance Lake Huron coastal wetlands.

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