

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



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Replant.ca Environmental is a Canadian company that plants trees for carbon capture and builds community forests. We also plant trees in municipal, provincial, and national parks to mitigate damage from wildfires, storms, insects, and forest diseases. We operate thanks to numerous small contributions from the general public, and with help from larger project sponsorships from businesses and corporations around the world. If you'd like to learn how to show your support, visit our donations page. Even if you aren't able to make a contribution, we very much appreciate when people are able to share our posts or our website link on social media, to help spread the word about the work that we're doing!

To learn more about the various species that we plant, visit the conifers page or the deciduous (hardwoods) page on our website.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT/CFO

In last year's Annual Report, I talked about climate change and storms. Climate change is a hard topic to escape, and over the past twelve months, Canadians have dealt with record-setting wildfire seasons from coast to coast. More than 18 million hectares burned in 2023. To put that into perspective, that's larger than the Maritime provinces combined. As I write this in February 2024, nearly a hundred wildfires are still burning in British Columbia, and the winter weather over the next few months won't be enough to extinguish many of them.

Canada's east coast didn't suffer as badly with hurricanes as it did in 2022, but Maritimers got lucky when Lee downgraded suddenly before making landfall. This was only a year after Hurricane Fiona's impact, and many areas were still cleaning up damage from Fiona.

2023's wildfires and the increasing risk of hurricanes are very different problems, but they both underscore the vulnerability of our natural environment and the pressing need for action. We need more collective environmental stewardship, to help with the restoration of our natural landscapes.

On a positive note, our teams at Replant.ca Environmental made a large impact in 2023. We embarked on significant tree planting initiatives in Gros Morne National Park in Newfoundland, and Cape Breton Highlands National Park in Nova Scotia, in both cases working to help bring back the boreal forest which has been under pressure for a few decades from moose browse, spruce budworm, and other pests.

Our work extended beyond the boundaries of these parks though. We continued to work on our carbon sequestration sites, and on two of our main demonstration forest projects. NRCan's support through the federal 2 Billion Tree program has been a major factor in those successes, both directly and indirectly.

We extend our gratitude to our sponsors and partners, our planting teams, and the communities that hosted us, for their support and shared commitment to environmental conservation. Moving into 2024, we're inspired by the progress that we've made, and we're motivated by the challenges that lie ahead. Together, we'll continue to make a difference, one tree at a time.

Thanks for taking the time to review our 2023 Annual Report. Your support inspires us to keep pushing forward.



Jonathan "Scooter" Clark
President, Chief Financial Officer

OUR RESTORATION PROJECTS

In 2023, these were our three main restoration projects:

Fort Folly First Nation – We planted 15,628 trees at this Mi'kmaq First Nation, which were funded by One Tree Planted.

Fishing Cove – We planted 4,247 trees for this project in Cape Breton, helping to reclaim a pair of gravel pits that had been used during construction work on the Cabot Trail.

Haliburton House Museum – We planted 3,618 trees at this site near Windsor, Nova Scotia, on the museum grounds. Our task here was to help the museum turn some wild areas back to productive forest.

OUR PUBLIC PARK PROJECTS

In 2023, we participated in tree planting programs in the following public parks:

Cape Breton Highland National Park – We planted 107,647 trees in this park in Nova Scotia with support from One Tree Planted, and an additional 7,500 deciduous trees thanks to support from our public donors.

Gros Morne National Park – We planted 120,000 trees in this park in western Newfoundland. This was an especially difficult site, with significant challenges due to the remote access, but the hospitality was unforgettable.

Victoria Park – Although we have a lot more work to do in this park in the near future, we initially thought that we wouldn't be able to accomplish anything in 2023 due to the ongoing cleanup from Hurricane Fiona. However, we were able to work in one small area within the Gorge after some eleventh-hour planning, and we were able to plant 3,854 trees.

We expect to be planting in a number of municipal, provincial, and national parks in 2024, with projects already planned for at least six parks. We're looking forward to it!

For more detailed information and photographs, visit:

www.replant-environmental.ca/parks

OUR CARBON PLANTATION PROJECTS

A portion of our work in 2023 involved planting trees on carbon capture properties and in our demonstration forests projects. The carbon plantations are properties which are reserved solely for carbon sequestration. We plant a diverse species mix on these plantations with the intent that they will be allowed to grow to maturity, and then remain undisturbed in perpetuity.





The demonstration forests are special projects, which we're planning to turn into public-access sites in the near future.

In 2023, we planted a total of 83,879 trees in carbon plantation projects, and 85,782 trees in our demonstration forests. Some of these sites were sponsored by large organizations that acted as sponsors, and other sites were made possible through the support from public donors and 2 Billion Tree funding.

For more detailed information and photographs, visit:

www.replant-environmental.ca/carbonplantations

WRAP-UP

This was another amazing year for our organization. It wasn't without challenges, as two of our large regular sponsors had to withdraw their planting support in 2023 due to global funding constraints. This resulted in our own organization needing to unexpectedly scale back some of our own operations. However, we've made new arrangements which will allow the sites that were affected by those cutbacks to be planted in 2024, with support from new sponsors.

We want to give a huge thank you to our other major sponsors, for whom we acted as a supply partner (especially One Tree Planted). We also saw significant support from a wide variety of smaller Canadian businesses and public supporters, which allowed us to act as the lead proponent on various additional projects.

In total, we planted 432,155 trees across our various Canadian projects in 2023, so it was a very busy year. But we have even bigger plans for 2024, with approximately half a million trees already confirmed for the coming months.

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