



Port Perry causeway gets a cleanup

(Scugog, September 22, 2009) Volunteers of all ages, including children, high school students, college students and seniors, picked up 24 bags of garbage, including 10 bags of recyclables, along the highway 7A causeway in Port Perry last Saturday. The event was hosted by Kawartha Conservation as part of the TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup.

"All of this litter can do considerable damage to the natural environment, and make our shorelines less healthy, less safe and less enjoyable for people," says Shalin Abbott, Kawartha Conservation Stewardship Coordinator. "Thanks to the support we received this year, we've been able to clean up a large part of the causeway. I encourage everyone to help keep the causeway and all of our shorelines clean."

This year's cleanup was made possible through the support of volunteers, the Port Perry Lions Club, Vos' Independent Grocer and the Ontario Ministry of Transportation.

The TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup is a nation-wide event, occurring every September at thousands of sites across Canada. It is part of the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup, a world wide effort to clean up waterways across the globe. Visit www.vanaqua.org/cleanup for more information.



Despite the sign, the shoreline is littered with plastic bottles, wrappers, plastic cutlery and straws, coffee cup lids and stir sticks, fishing line and styrofoam, among other types of garbage



Port Perry High School students Dylan Morash (l) and Cameron Walker (r) haul recyclables and garbage up to the road for pickup