



POA Ponds Committee *'Pond Views'*

March 27, 2019

Your Pond's Ecosystem: Native Plants can make a Difference

--- Mark Your Calendars for May 7, 2019 ---

In reference to the Waterway Park Native Plant Trail, the St. James Garden Club webpage says this about native plants:

“Since so many of our residents are from outside the coastal area, identification of these plants would be very helpful in understanding our ecosystem and also serve as examples of plants that they may be able to incorporate into their landscaping. Using natives in a community setting helps restore the character of the land and places fewer demands on resources. They provide food and shelter for native wildlife and help to sustain native butterflies, beneficial insects, birds, mammals, reptiles, and other native species.”

The Ponds Committee supports the use of native plants for pond bank buffer zones. Once established, they should be easier to maintain. After all, they grow naturally in our climate. On Tuesday, May 7th, you can hear more about these plants from NC State Extension agent, Diana Rashash. Ms. Rashash is a coastal plant expert and featured

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Center. Hear about how these plants can help prevent erosion and absorb harmful nutrients entering your pond.



Pond View from the Waterway Park Native Plant Trail

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currently working to provide an opportunity for residents to purchase many of the plants that will be discussed – a pond buffer zone plant sale. Mark your calendars for May 7th at 9:30 AM and learn ways to beautify and protect your pond bank.

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Do you have questions about ponds or need some additional information about the POA guidelines and ponds? Email the Ponds Committee for help at: StJamesPondViews@gmail.com

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