

NPPG

Neighborhood Pond Planting Groups

NPPG is an annual program sponsored by the POA Ponds Committee to promote the establishment of shoreline vegetation and other non-structural erosion protection of neighborhood common (not privately owned) pond banks. The program improves Pond water quality by reducing pollutants and enhances the health, beauty and recreational usage of our ponds.

Neighborhood Pond Planting Groups may be formed by three or more property owners in the vicinity of a common area pond.

Eligible Ponds Only ponds located on POA owned or maintained property. Ponds privately owned or on Troon (golf course) property are not eligible. If in doubt, contact the POA Pond Committee at www.stjamesponds.com

Plantings, Vegetation – All proposed plants should be selected from the list of “Native Plants for Pond Buffer Zones” found on the POA website www.stjamesponds.com “Pond Guidelines”.

Funding – **\$5000.00 has been allocated for funding NPPG’s in 2023.** These funds may be used only for plants, materials and/or labor to install vegetation and/or other non-structural erosion protection measures. Subsequent annual maintenance funding may be requested up to \$300.00 per year for approved NPPG projects .

Getting Started – We will help you! Interested property owners should contact the POA Pond Committee via email at www.stjamesponds.com and click on “MORE” and then “CONTACT US”.

The Pond Committee will assist with completing the Application Form for your Projects. Projects should be developed early each year as **completed applications must be received by April 15, 2023.**