



The Ponds Committee Brief

March 4th, 2024

Responsibilities:

- This project must honour the overall vision behind the creation of the [Souharissen Natural Area](#).
- Learn about the Silver Covenant Chain of Friendship and how it is threaded into these lands.
- Learn about Storm Management Ponds – What are they? How do they work? How do they fit into the environment? Are they natural spaces?
- Protect the space for future generations
- Using the Silver Covenant Chain of Friendship as a framework, educate the people who use this space to better care for the relationships that exist around the Ponds.
- Organize a visit to the site with Ms. Robinson's Grade 1 & 2 students that helps teach them about the Indigenous History of Flamborough, the Covenant Chain as well as anything else they would like to explore. Ms. Robinson's email: trobinso@hwdsb.on.ca.

Questions to answer:

How do the ponds reflect how Canada has acted within the Silver Covenant Chain?

What trees/plants were/are native to the area?

What specific article[s] of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* does your committee's work fall under?

Research:

[Treaty Primers](#)

Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer

Yardwork by Daniel Coleman

[United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples](#)

***Final report will be made to the Ogiima Kwe and Council before being forwarded to the Flamborough Community Council.**