

*To: Cross Creek Homeowners*

*The HOA Board and the Pond Landscape committee are charged with preserving and protecting the pond system (with first priority being the large pond to protect the extensive restoration).*

*The process of selecting a vendor and the plants and their distribution along the banks of the restored pond was a collaborative effort by the Pond Landscaping Committee volunteers, engineering reports and the Pinellas County Adopt a Pond staff member.*

*The community has a good history with Aquatic Systems (they currently maintain our ponds). The committee retained and worked with Aquatic Systems (Licensed professionals specializing in pond maintenance) to design, purchase the plants and install the plants.*

*Wind driven wavelets from the pond fountain was identified by our engineer as contributing factor to the erosion of pond banks. Aquascaping is an accepted and recognized way to mitigate the erosion of pond banks.*

*Aquatic Systems will be planting the plants on Thursday, May 12, 2016. Homeowner assistance is not needed. If you want to offer advice, or have questions or want to assist in any way please do not contact the employees/technicians of Aquatic Systems but rather contact any member of the HOA Board, or Pond Landscape Committee. Aquatic Systems has scheduled a specific amount of time to do the work assuming no interruptions.*

*Initially the planting may look sparse, but within a few months it will start to fill in. Again, if you have any questions or concerns please contact the HOA Board or any member of the Pond Landscape Committee. Thank you.*

*Lynn Romano*

*Chair - Pond Landscape Committee*