Landscaping

Landscaping with be an important component of ensuring the study area is developed in an environmentally sensitive way. Landscape designs through the plan area will be encouraged to be compatible with the natural environment of the surrounding area. As noted in the Landscape Policies, xeriscape landscape conditions will be encouraged as will the use of drought tolerant plants.

Drought Tolerant Plant List

Ornamental/Shade Trees		**Palms/Cycads**	
Live Oak	Podocarpus	Butia	Chinese Fan Palm
Norfolk Island Pine*	Camphor	King Sago	European Fan Palm
Red Cedar	Slash Pine	Coconut Palm*	Cabbage Palm
Crape Myrtle	Winged Elm	Saw Palmetto	Windmill Palm
Pigeon Plum*	Sweetgum	**Groundcovers, Perennials and Vines**	
Jacaranda	Chinese Elm Gum (Eucalyptus)	Lantana*	Fakahatchee Grass
Longleaf Pine	American Holly	Golden Aster	Ironweed
Redbay		Sea Oats	Cardboard Plant*
Shrubs		Butterfly Pea	Purple Queen*
Allamanda*	Firecracker Plant*	Chinese Fountain Grass	Spider Lily*
Rusty Lyonia Tarflower	Firebush*	Amaryllis	Porterweed
Simpson Stopper*	Texas Sage	Twinflower	Dwarf Natal Plum (Carissa)*
Orange Jasmine	Frangipani*	Gazania	Gaillardia
Beautyberry	Natal Plum (Carissa)*	Cone Flower	Beach Sunflower
Podocarpus	Dwarf Poinciana*	Coontie	Muhly Grass
Seagrape*	Powderpuff*	African Iris	Bush Daisy
Plumbago*	Golden Dewdrop*	Coreopsis	Quailberry*
Florida Privet	Croton*	Perennial Peanut	
Juniper	Yaupon Holly	**Annual Flowers**	
Fruiting Plants		Ornamental Pepper	Dahlberg Daisy
Lychee*	Citrus		

Compatibility with the local climate and soil conditions will determine which drought tolerant plants will be most suitable for the area.

Xeriscape refers to the conservation of water through creative landscaping. Originally developed for drought-afflicted areas, the principles of xeriscape today have an ever broadening appeal. With water

now considered an expensive and limited resource, all landscaping projects, residential or commercial, can benefit from this alternative.

Xeriscapes do not have a single look – almost any landscaping style can be achieved. The principles can be applied to all or part of a yard, in any geographic region of North America.

Xeriscape has many benefits including, but not limited to, water conservation, less maintenance, no fertilizers or pesticides are required, it is pollution free as fossil fuel consumption from gas lawnmowers is minimized or even eliminated and it provides for wildlife habitat.

Minimizing building footprints, driveways and extensive landscaping in order to creatively integrate hillside cluster housing on sloped conditions.

- Reducing the use of water consumption by utilization of xeriscape landscape conditions that complement the existing grassland condition.
- Development of a landscape manual to ensure that the form and character of maintained yards and open spaces utilize drought tolerant plant species and irrigation practices including possible limitations of open lawn areas.
- Using erosion control measures to minimize the potential impacts of construction upon the native landscape condition and immediate restoration of cut slopes through hydro-seeding programs with native grasses and wild flowers
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- Respecting the requirements of the District of Peachland to successfully integrate the surrounding open space system with this community.