

DNR Welcomes a New Minister and Deputy Minister



Minister of Natural Resources
The Honourable Richard Hurlburt

The Honourable Richard Hurlburt, MLA for Yarmouth, was sworn in as Minister of Natural Resources on August 18, 2003. Mr. Hurlburt was first elected to the Nova Scotia House of Assembly in July 1999. Prior to that he served as a municipal councillor for 11 years; five as warden. Over the years he has served on numerous boards and commissions in health care, recreation, finance and regional development. Born in Carleton, Yarmouth County, he received a degree in business administration and for many years owned and operated R. Hurlburt Construction, which is now being run by his sons.

Peter Underwood joined DNR as deputy minister on January 1, 2004. He is a 19-year public servant who served most recently as deputy minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, and previously as deputy minister of Environment and Fisheries and Aquaculture.



Deputy Minister of Natural Resources
Peter Underwood

Mr. Underwood holds a bachelor of science degree and a law degree from Dalhousie University, as well as a master's degree in science from State University of New York. He has a broad understanding of the fishing industry, having worked as a fisheries observer aboard

foreign fishing vessels and conducted research and environmental impact assessments in the Eastern Arctic. His background also includes working in the Ocean Studies Program at Dalhousie University and as a marine advisor with the N.S. Department of Fisheries.

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Clarification: The article "Protecting Nova Scotia: Various Options for a Variety of Places" (Summer/Fall 2003) made reference to the Tobecoatic Wilderness Area. While the parcels of land mentioned in the article are located in Shelburne and Annapolis counties, the Tobecoatic Wilderness Area extends into five counties: Digby, Annapolis, Queens, Shelburne and Yarmouth.