

**Park Improvement Program
2010 - 2011**

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During the 2010 - 2011 fiscal year a total of \$4,294,049* were spent in the 3 administrative Regions (Western, Central, Eastern) as indicated in Table 1 (\$ value) and Figure 1 (% of total dollars spent). This is an increase of 74.4% over 2009/2010 spending, this is directly attributable to the Federal/Provincial Stimulus Program. Contracts totaling \$1,175,838 were awarded to eleven different contractors (contracts over multiple years resulting in only partial amounts reported in each fiscal year). Contracts at Laurie and Mira were awarded through TIR under the Federal/Provincial Stimulus Program and are not included in this figure.

Table 1 (\$ value) and Figure 2 (% of total dollars spent) show the breakdown by District of monies spent in each of 3 categories (Materials/Labour, In Kind - materials provided from within inventory of Parks Workshop, TIR (DNR funds delivered by TIR trades or contracts) and TIR funded projects.

In the Western Region, \$218,745 was spent with two contracts awarded to two different contractors.

Central Region expenditures totaled \$2,830,274. Nine contracts were awarded, to five different contractors.

Three contracts were awarded in the Eastern Region, to three different contractors (does not include contracts awarded by TIR under Stimulus Program). Expenditures totaled \$1,245,030.

Details of expenditures for each Region can be found on pages 6, 9 and 13.

* Includes **Tangible Capital Asset (TCA)** expenditures of \$3,810,511 under the Federal/Provincial Stimulus Program

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Total Expenditures - All Regions

Region	Materials/Labour	In Kind	TIR (DNR Funded)	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Western	\$143,022	\$775	\$74,948.00		\$218,745
Central	\$2,796,960	\$3,464	\$29,850		\$2,830,274
Eastern	\$1,243,204	\$1,826	\$0.00		\$1,245,030
TOTAL	\$4,183,186	\$6,065	\$104,798	\$0	\$4,294,049 includes \$ 3,810,511 Federal Stimulus \$

Figure 1. Park Improvement Program 2010 - 2011
Total Expenditures by Category - \$ Value all Regions

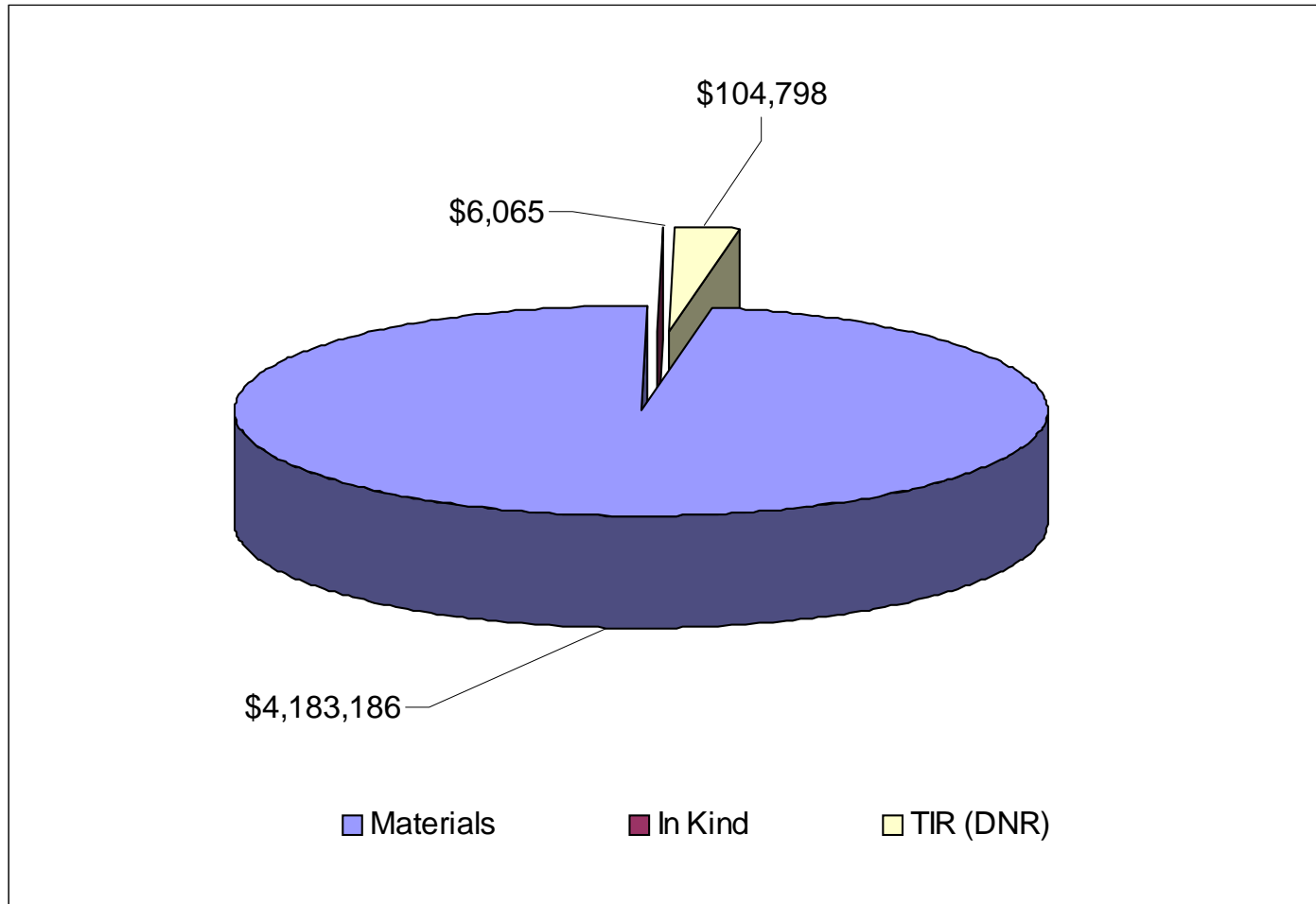
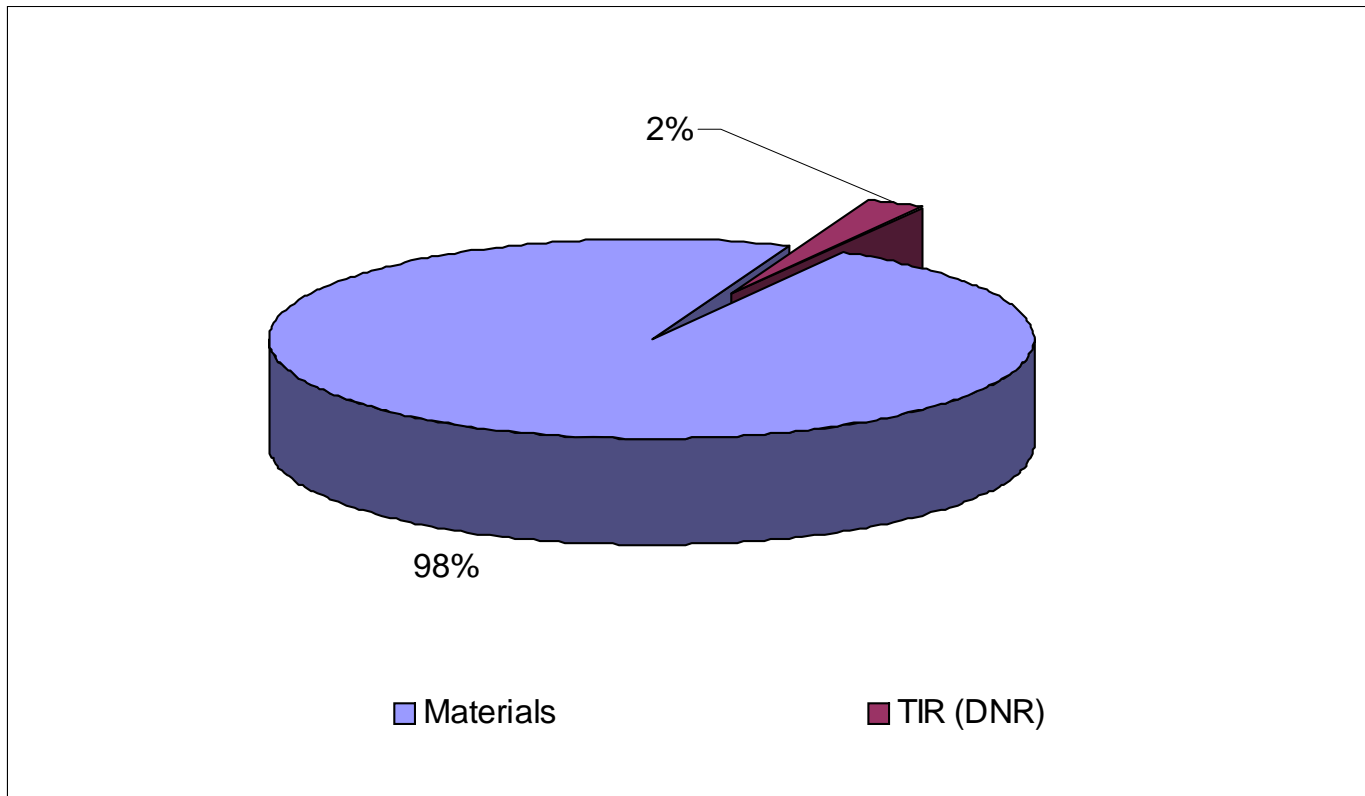


Figure 2. Park Improvement Program 2010 - 2011
Total Expenditures - % by Category



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Tangible Capital Asset (TCA) Expenditures - All Regions

Region	Park	Expenditures
Central	Cape Chignecto	\$252,500
	Laurie	\$1,918,391
	Caribou	\$56,558
	Clam Harbour	\$113,385
	Crystal Crescent	\$89,368
	Oakfield	\$91,369
	Martinique	\$23,689
Sub-Total Central		\$2,545,260
Western	Graves Island	\$50,041
	Thomas Raddall	\$32,411
Sub-Total Western		\$82,452
Eastern	Mira	\$888,668
	Whycocomagh	\$290,132
Sub-Total Eastern		\$1,178,800
TOTAL		\$3,810,512

Park Improvement Program 2010 - 2011 Western Region

The Western Region contains seven camping parks, 14 beaches (fresh and saltwater) and 22 day use parks.

In this Region monies were spent at four camping parks (see Table 3). Material/labour accounted for \$143,022, In Kind \$775 and TIR (DNR) funded \$74,948. Table 3 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed.

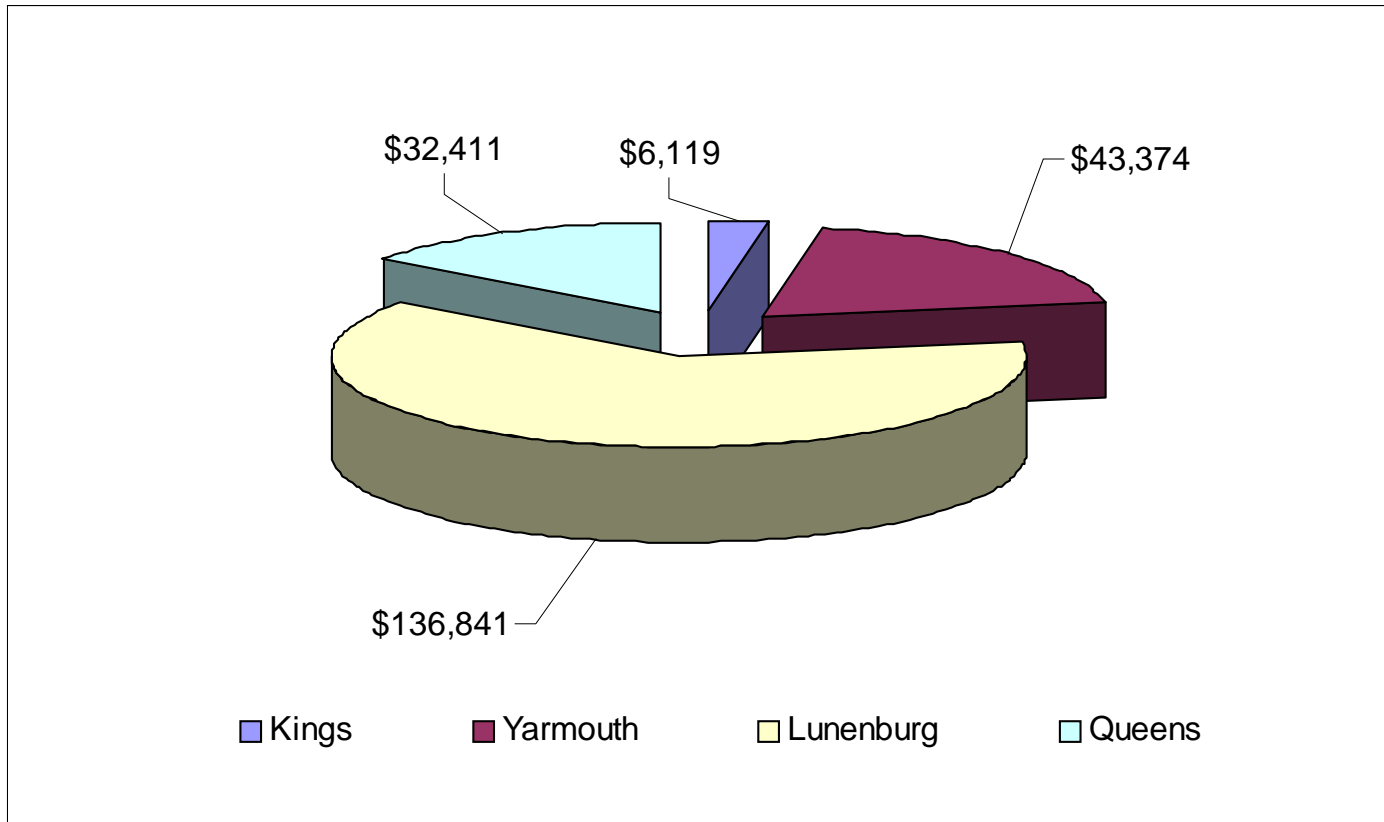
Two tenders were awarded in this Region, one at Port Maitland and one at Graves Island. Tenders were awarded to Garian Construction in the amount of \$42,175 (Port Maitland) and to Cobequid Trail \$54,041 (Graves Island).

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Western Region

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Blomidon	shoreline erosion	\$6,119				\$6,119
Graves Island	causeway/road/trail signs	\$61,118	\$775	\$4,633		\$66,526
Port Maitland	beach access	\$43,374				\$43,374
Rissers Beach	comfort station			\$70,315		\$70,315
TH Raddall	entry road	\$32,411				\$32,411
TOTAL		\$143,022	\$775	\$74,948	\$0	\$218,745

Figure 4. Western Region Expenditures by County



Park Improvement Program 2010 - 2011 Central Region

The Central Region is comprised of nine camping parks, 16 saltwater beaches and 19 day use parks.

In the Central Region work was undertaken at four camping parks and eleven day use parks (see Table 4). Of the \$2,830,274 spent in this region, \$2,796,960 were materials/labour, \$3,464 were In Kind contributions, \$29,850 were TIR (DNR funded) charges and \$ 0 TIR funded. Table 4 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed.

Eight contracts, totaling \$465,451 were awarded to the following vendors (\$ value of contract):

Caribou - Blaine F. MacLane	\$ 56,558
Clam Harbour - Terra Marine	\$113,385
Crystal Crescent - Terra Marine	\$ 89,368
Long Lake - Goodfellow Inc.	\$ 4,893
- Terra Marine	\$ 18,943
- Terra Marine	\$ 13,071
Martinique - Dexter Const	\$ 23,500
McNabs Island - Clivus Multrum	\$ 19,364
Oakfield - Terra Marine	\$ 91,369
Taylor Head - Cobequid Trail	\$ 35,000

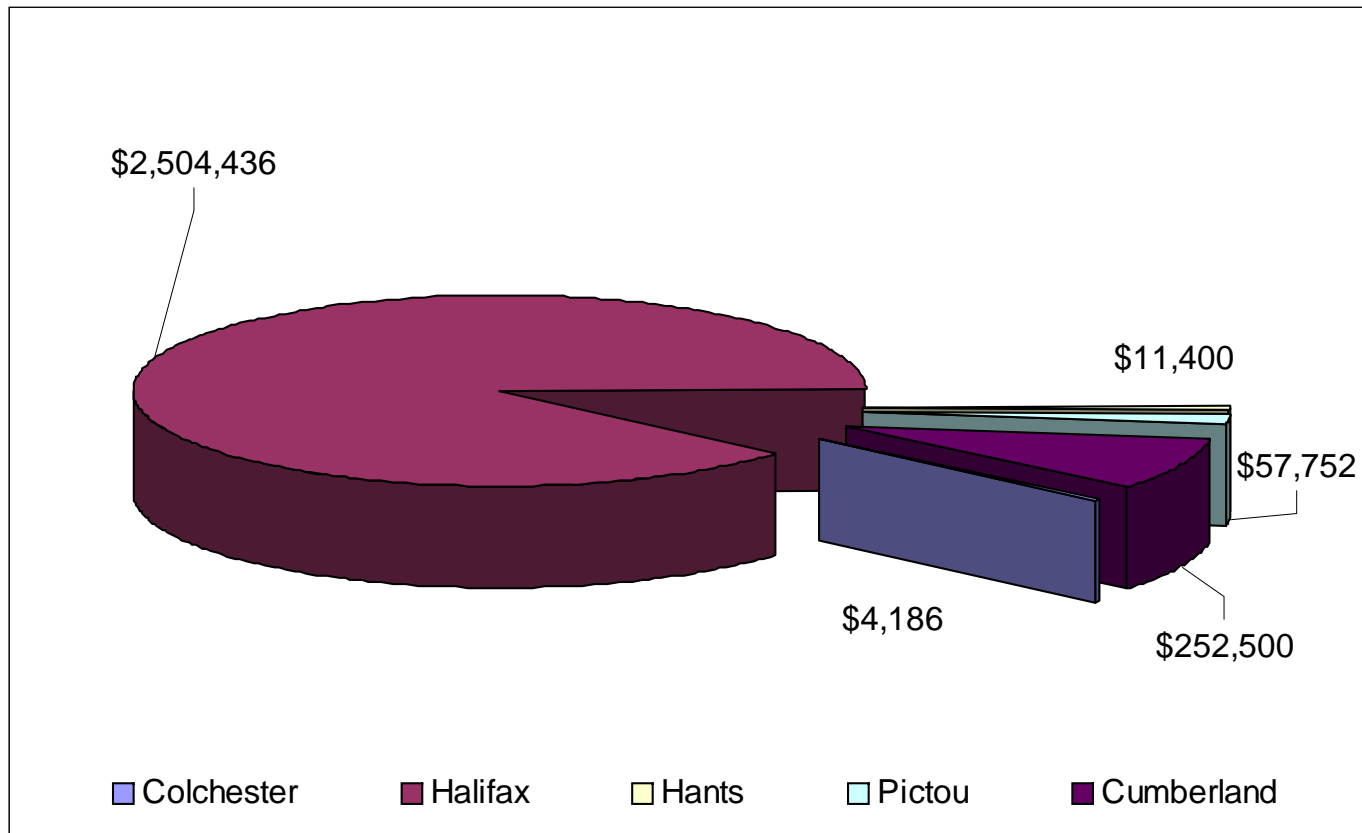
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Central Region

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Anthony	wharf review			\$8,450		\$8,450
Cape Chignecto	Trail Redevelopment	\$252,500				\$252,500
Caribou	entry road	\$56,558	\$558			\$57,116
Clam Harbour	entry road	\$113,385				\$113,385
Crystal Crescent	entry road	\$89,368				\$89,368
Five Islands	UV light/water	\$1,475		\$2,711		\$4,186
Laurie	Redevelopment	\$2,039,983				\$2,039,983
Long Lake	debris rack/road	\$41,108	\$650	\$9,228		\$50,986
Martinique	road/boardwalk	\$35,797				\$35,797
McNabs Island	dock/environmental assessment/toilet	\$26,378				\$26,378
Melmerby	signs/lumber		\$636			\$636
Oakfield	entry road	\$91,369				\$91,369
Sub-Total		\$2,747,921	\$1,844	\$20,389	\$0	\$2,770,154

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Rainbow Haven	entry road	\$10,152	\$1,620			\$11,772
Smileys	entry road	\$2,950				\$2,950
Taylor Head	entry road	\$35,937		\$9,461		\$45,398
Total		\$2,796,960	\$3,464	\$29,850	\$0	\$2,830,274

Figure 5. Central Region Expenditures by County



Park Improvement Program 2010 - 2011 Eastern Region

The Eastern Region contains five camping parks, 17 beaches (fresh and saltwater) and 22 day use parks.

Eastern Region work was undertaken at two camping parks and six day use parks (see Table 5). Of the \$1,245,030 spent in this region, \$1,243,204 were spent on materials/labour, 1,826 In Kind and \$ 0 TIR (DNR Funded). Table 5 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed. Figure 7 shows the dollar value of work performed at each park.

Two contracts, in the amount of \$53,002 were awarded as follows:

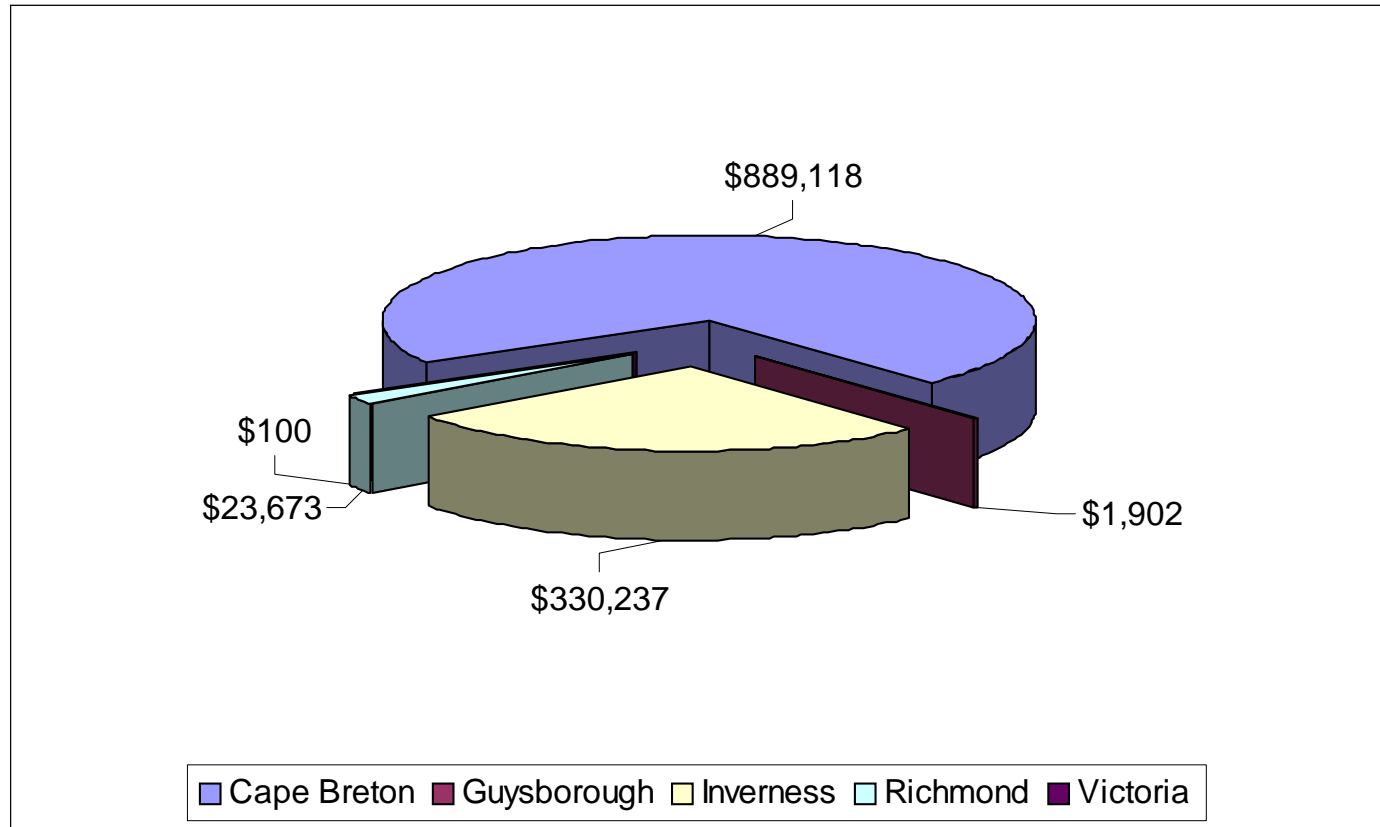
Burke Bros - Battery	\$18,690
Design Shelter Inc - Whycocomagh	\$ 34,312

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Eastern Region

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR (DNR Funded)	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Battery	dump station	\$18,690	\$386			\$19,076
Dalem Lake	sign		\$100			\$100
Lennox	storm repairs	\$2,260				\$2,260
Mira	Redevelopment	\$888,668	\$450			\$889,118
Point Michaud	storm repairs	\$667				\$667
Port Hood	dune restoration	\$5,373	\$312			\$5,685
Pondville	storm repairs	\$1,670				\$1,670
Tor Bay	storm repairs	\$1,432	\$470			\$1,902
Whycocomagh	Redevelopment	\$324,444	\$108			\$324,552
TOTAL		\$1,243,204	\$1,826	\$0	\$0	\$1,245,030

Figure 6. Eastern Region Expenditures by County



Park Visitor Statistics - Camping Parks

Park	# of Sites	Avail. Camper Nights		Occupancy % 2010	Permits Issued		RV	Tent
		2009	2010		Resident	Non-Resident		
Amherst Shore	42	5,124	4,872	40%	569	710	529	750
Battery	52	4,136	4,136	40%	439	764	506	697
Blomidon	70	8,236	7,739	43%	1,520	578	636	1,462
Boylston	35	2,835	3,080	12%	135	176	115	196
Cape Chignecto	84	14,256						
Caribou	91	13,992	12,296	42%	1,859	1,283	1,533	1,609
Dollar Lake	119	14,391	13,572	26%	1,927	223	549	1,601
Ellenwood Lake	81	9,512	8,938	23%	979	146	547	578
Five Islands	87	8,652	9,156	29%	972	869	588	1,253
Graves Island	121	17,969	17,092	33%	2,233	896	1,566	1,563
Laurie	71	5,254	closed for redevelopment					
Mira River	148	14,060	14,060	30%	1,555	811	1,112	1,254
Porters Lake	76	9,966	9,504	36%	1,162	916	905	1,173
Rissers Beach	95	13,892	13,248	52%	2,590	620	1,682	1,528
Salsman	40	3,240	3,520	23%	394	124	280	238
SUB-TOTAL	1,212	145,515	121,213		16,334	8,116	10,548	13,902

Park	# of Sites	Avail. Camper Nights		Occupancy % 2010	Permits Issued		RV	Tent
		2009	2010		Resident	Non-Resident		
Smileys	86	10,611	13,362	20%	1,378	198	848	728
The Islands	62	7,192	6,758	20%	506	370	434	442
Thomas Raddall	82	10,570	10,080	34%	1,398	413	851	960
Valleyview	30	3,480	2,430	27%	299	128	176	251
Whycocomagh	62	7,076	7,076	22%	269	902	502	669
TOTAL	1,534	184,444	160,919		20,184	10,127	13,359	16,952
%					67%	33%	44%	56%

Park Visitor Statistics

Reservations

2009						2010				
Park	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations
Amherst Shore	443	254	189	1,149	39%	474	298	176	1,237	38%
Battery	142	66	76	1,012	14%	217	136	81	1,151	19%
Blomidon	897	526	371	1,987	45%	947	562	385	1,990	48%
Boylston	41	22	19	268	15%	57	33	24	293	19%
Cape Chignecto	239	39	200	421	57%	256	46	210	446	57%
Caribou	943	547	396	2,768	34%	1,284	836	448	3,012	43%
Dollar Lake	1,232	665	567	1,942	63%	1,189	630	559	2,060	58%
Ellenwood Lake	363	192	171	986	37%	341	217	124	1,047	33%
Five Islands	678	335	343	1,686	40%	713	448	265	1,749	41%
Graves Island	1,278	697	581	2,254	57%	1,727	1,119	608	2,996	58%
Laurie	379	205	174	1,076	35%	0	0	0	0	0%
Mira River	590	367	223	2,445	24%	748	514	234	2,241	33%
SUB-TOTAL	7,225	3,915	3,310	17,994		7,953	4,839	3,114	18,222	

2009						2010				
Park	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations
Porters Lake	795	413	382	1,902	42%	814	493	321	1,980	41%
Rissers Beach	1,948	1,068	880	2,805	69%	2,184	1,360	824	3,085	71%
Salsman	180	95	85	498	36%	179	118	61	493	36%
Smileys	621	373	248	1,326	47%	721	501	220	1,478	49%
The Islands	200	116	84	790	25%	212	139	73	811	26%
Thomas Raddall	814	419	395	1,623	50%	965	552	413	1,741	55%
Valleyview	135	83	52	425	32%	139	111	28	402	35%
Whycocomagh	156	89	67	1,063	15%	156	111	45	1,111	14%
TOTAL	12,074	6,571	5,503	28,426	42%	13,323	8,224	5,099	29,323	45%
AVERAGE	604	329	275	1,421		666	411	255	1,466	
%		54%	46%	42%			62%	38%	45%	

Park Visitor Statistics

Day Use*

Park	2009	2010
Bayfield	1,173	1,698
Bayswater Beach	9,416	9,710
Clam Harbour Beach	6,741	8,081
Dollar Lake	6,405	8,482
Ellenwood	3,501	3,127
Heather Beach	3,431	4,971
Lawrencetown Beach	12,589	11,164
Martinique Beach	6,656	9,233
Mavillette Beach	1,486	1,135
Melmerby Beach	12,623	16,771
Pomquet	4,226	3,281
Port Maitland	4,981	6,037
Queensland Beach	13,457	17,973
Rainbow Haven	23,377	27,057
Rissers Beach	11,625	10,623
TOTAL ESTIMATED*	121,687	139,343

*Estimate provided by Nova Scotia Lifeguard Service supervised beaches only

Park Visitor Statistics

Fee Structure

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Basic	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$18
Semi-Serviced	\$18	\$21	\$23	\$24
Water/Elec	N/A	\$29	\$31	\$32
Reservation	0	\$6	\$8	\$9
Cancellation	0	\$4	\$6	\$7

Parks Are For People

	2007	2008	2009	2010
# Provincial Parks	37	34	36	38
Total # Participants	10,791*	19,667	35,258	26,219
# Events	105	132	138	93
# Other Properties	24	25	22	23

* No Clam Harbour Sandcastle Event

Provincial Parks System

	2007	2008	2009	2010
# Properties				
Total Landbase	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000