Arisaig Provincial Park



County

Antigonish

Size

28.19 Hectares

Classification

Outdoor Recreation

Status

Designated; Operational

Location NS Atlas

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Managed As

Core Park

Overview

A provincially-significant fossil site with an interpretive kiosk, picnic area, trail and beach access.

Protection Values

Provincially significant geology and fossils, earth history

Education Values

Regionally-significant opportunities to interpret site and regional geology, landscape development; interpretive kiosk. St. F.X University uses as an outdoor classroom

Tourism Values

Provincially significant tourist attraction; unique natural history attraction, annual Fossil Walk

Outdoor Recreation Values

Short hiking trail, beach access, picnicking, geocaching, snowshoeing, skiing

Other Site Considerations

Right-of-way for transmission line runs through park.

Susceptible to coastal processes (storm events with high tide surge or wind driven waves) that cause site erosion.

Spruce Bark beetle damage may require ecological restoration program to remove dead and dying trees in areas of public use to re-establish a more suitable forest cover.

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