

# McNabs & Lawlor Island Provincial Park



## County

Halifax

## Size

484.67 Hectares

## Classification

Natural Environment

## Status

Designated; Non-operational

## Location NS Atlas

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## Managed As

Core Park

## Overview

Nationally and provincially-significant property with important natural and cultural heritage values; outdoor recreation and education opportunities, and has the potential to become a major tourism attraction.

## Protection Values

Provincially significant; contributes to the Province's goal of protecting 12% of its land base by 2015, wide range of natural and cultural heritage features and values; adjacent to metro; historic military elements include Fort Ives, Fort Hugonin, Fort McNab National Historic Site (administered by Parks Canada), Strawberry Battery; several buildings at Fort Ives are listed as significant by the Federal Heritage Building Review Office. Two species of vascular plants and one species of bird found within the park are listed as critically imperiled. In addition, two invertebrates were determined to be vulnerable to extirpation or extinction. One of the largest concentrations of nesting osprey and great blue heron in eastern North America. Lawlor Island contains a former hospital site and small graveyard.

## Education Values

Wide range of provincially significant natural and cultural heritage themes; used by schools and organized groups

## Tourism Values

Important attraction in midst of major tourism destination area; nationally significant park

## Outdoor Recreation Values

Camping, hiking, boating, birdwatching, beach access, bicycling, picnicking

## Annual Visitation

Unknown but well used

## Other Site Considerations

Approved management plan; partnership with the Friends of McNabs Island



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## McNabs & Lawlor Island

### Provincial Park and Park Reserve Series

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|--|-------------------|--|--------------------|
|  | Fire Station      |  | Trans Canada       |
|  | Hospital          |  | Arterial Highway   |
|  | Police Station    |  | Collector Highway  |
|  | School            |  | Trunk Highway      |
|  | Church            |  | Paved Road         |
|  | Building          |  | Unpaved Road       |
|  | Water Body        |  | Track (2m & wider) |
|  | River / Stream    |  | Trail / Footpath   |
|  | County Boundary   |  | Railway            |
|  | Abandoned Railway |  |                    |

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|  | Camping Park                          |
|  | Day Use Park                          |
|  | Park Reserve                          |
|  | Crown Land                            |
|  | Wilderness Area                       |
|  | Nature Reserve                        |
|  | National Historic Site, National Park |



Data Sources:  
Nova Scotia Topographic Database 2010; Service Nova Scotia  
and Municipal Relations  
Wilderness Areas and Nature Reserves 2012; NS Department  
of Environment  
Crown Land, Provincial Parks and Park Reserves 2012;  
Restricted and Limited  
Use Lands 2007; NS Department of Natural Resources

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