

Mira River Provincial Park



County

Cape Breton

Size

87.49 Hectares

Classification

Outdoor Recreation

Status

Designated; Operational

Location NS Atlas

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Managed As

Core Park

Overview

A popular camping and day-use park on the Mira River near Sydney and the Fortress of Louisbourg National Historic Site. The park was recently redeveloped.

173 campsites, open for camping from June to September.

Protection Values

A cemetery owned by a third party is located within the park.

Education Values

Regionally significant opportunities to interpret landscape themes and cultural history; Brickyard Point supplied bricks for the construction of the Fortress of Louisbourg; amateur astronomy observatory onsite; identified as a significant location for the delivery of aboriginal cultural interpretation programs.

Tourism Values

Regionally significant opportunity adjacent to Sydney, a Provincial Entry Point, National Historic Site at Louisbourg, and Gabarus Wilderness Area. One of the few public access points to Mira River.

Outdoor Recreation Values

In an area of almost exclusively private properties, this park provides one of the few public access points to the Mira River. Provide opportunities for camping, picnicking, swimming, front-country hiking, walking, boat ramp, fishing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, geocaching.

Annual Revenue

2010: \$103,885

Operating Cost

2010: \$213,469

Other Site Considerations

Friends of Mira provide a range of visitor activities; cemetery in-holding; powerline easement; some erosion at day-use beach; forest cover contains a large percentage of short lived species, ecological restoration of the forest cover over time is required.

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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 | 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; Use Lands 2007; NS Department of Natural Resources
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