

Pomquet Beach Provincial Park



County

Antigonish

Size

164.14 hectares

Classification

Natural Environment

Status

Undesignated; Operational (2.8 ha Leased)

Location N.S. Atlas:

32 W2

Managed As

Core Park

Overview

A provincially-significant coastal system with over 9 kilometres of beach on St. Georges Bay. One of the best examples of dune succession in Nova Scotia.

Protection Values

Site of Ecological Significance; two species of vascular plants and one species of bird found at the park are considered critically imperilled. There is also one species of vascular plant and one species of bird classed as imperilled and one species of bird classed as vulnerable to extirpation or extinction; one of a few beaches in Nova Scotia with a range of successional forests. Pomquet and Dunns beaches have been identified as Patch # 319 and Patch # 527, respectively, that could contribute to the Province's goal of protecting 12% of the land base by 2015. Designated under the Beaches Act.

Education Values

Regionally significant potential for a range of interpretive themes – coastal processes, unique ecosystems, wildlife habitat, landscapes, interpretive panels. The Delorey property at Monks Head features Acadian Culture.

Tourism Values

Regionally significant; one of a number of high quality beach parks along St. Georges Bay; offers picnicking, beach access, swimming, walking, potential for ecotourism, close to 100 series highway, potential for partnerships.

Outdoor Recreation Values

Walking trail, high quality supervised beach, limited picnicking, beach walking, cross-country skiing, fishing, beach volleyball tournament, birding

Annual Visitation

Unknown

Operating Cost

Other Site Considerations

Past commitments to permit hunting to be considered during legislative review and/or before final determination of boundaries.

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



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Provincial Park and Park Reserve Series

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Central Meridian 63°00' West, North American Datum (NAD) 1983.
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- Fire Station
- Hospital
- Police Station
- School
- Church
- Building
- Water Body
- River / Stream
- County Boundary
- Abandoned Railway
- Trans Canada
- Arterial Highway
- Collector Highway
- Trunk Highway
- Paved Road
- Unpaved Road
- Track (2m & wider)
- Trail / Footpath
- 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;
 Restricted and Limited
 Use Lands 2007; NS Department of Natural Resources

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