

# Porters Lake Provincial Park



## County

Halifax

## Size

89.99 hectares

## Classification

Outdoor Recreation

## Status

Designated; Operational

## Location N.S. Atlas

68 W2

## Managed As

Supporting Park

## Overview

A popular camping and day-use park on Porters Lake, near metro Halifax-Dartmouth, offering walking trails, a boat launch and close proximity to coastal beaches.

80 campsites, open for camping from May to October.

## Protection Values

A small land base that helps protect one invertebrate species that is listed as being vulnerable to extirpation or extinction.

## Education Values

Locally significant opportunity to interpret coastal landscape themes.

## Tourism Values

Regionally significant opportunity in Halifax Regional Municipality, adjacent to 100 series highway serving resident and travelers. Destination component to nearby coastal day use parks (Martinique Beach, Lawrencetown and Clam Harbour Beach Provincial Parks). Near Waverley-Salmon River-Long Lake, Clattenburgh Brook and Whites Lake wilderness areas.

## Outdoor Recreation Values

Camping, walking, boat launch, fishing, cross country skiing

## Annual Visitation

5577 campers; day-use unknown

## Annual Revenue

2010: \$96,543

## Operating Cost

2010: \$291,661

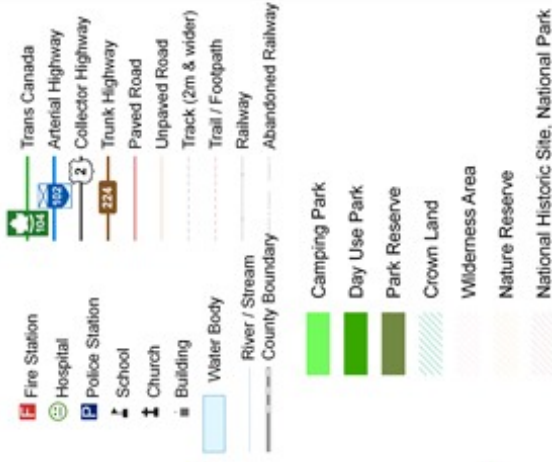
## Other Site Considerations

Blueberry Run trail runs east of the park – separated by Porters Lake Park

In 2003 Hurricane Juan caused significant damage. Camping park was redeveloped and reopened in 2004. Very little over story remaining in the park other than a few scattered clumps.

The exotic invasive English Oak requires removal.

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