Waterside Beach Provincial Park



County

Pictou

Size

95.71 Hectares

Classification

Outdoor Recreation

Status

Designated; Operational

Location NS Atlas

19 X 5

Managed As

Supporting Park

Overview

An attractive sand beach on the warm waters of Northumberland Strait

Protection Values

Undeveloped natural area that contributes to regional biodiversity. One bird species found at the park is classed as critically imperilled and one species as vulnerable to extirpation or extinction.

Education Values

Habitats and coastal processes

Tourism Values

One of a few public parks on the North Shore; offers beach access, picnicking

Outdoor Recreation Values

Beach access, swimming, picnicking, carry-in boat opportunity, bird watching

Annual Visitation

Moderate to high (exact numbers unknown)

Operating Cost

\$9,300

Other Site Considerations

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

Issues of park road and parking lot area being used as a public thoroughfare.

Cemetery directly adjoining park that also impacts access.

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