Blue Mountain - Birch Cove Lakes Wilderness Area



County

Halifax

Size

465 ha

Classification

Wilderness Area

Status

Expansion

Conditions Apply?

No

Overview

Near-urban forest and waterway patch adjacent to Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes Wilderness Area

Ecological Values

Bog and fen wetlands

Mature Red Spruce forest

Intact habitat patch in fragmented suburban landscape

Outdoor Recreation Values

Part of near-urban canoe route between Cox Lake and Nine Mile River

Enhances outdoor recreation values of Blue Mountain – Birch Cove Lakes Wilderness Area

Several kilometres of scenic undeveloped lake frontage

Hiking, hunting and fishing

Forestry Values

Mix of mature softwood and post-fire salvage

Other Resource Values

Medium mineral potential

Low petroleum potential

Low wind potential

Conditions

Exclusions and Vehicle Access

Proposed Highway 113 corridor excluded

Additional Comments

Includes one campsite lease.

Electrical infrastructure requirements to be addressed in consultation with NSPI.

