# **Cloud Lake Wilderness Area**



#### County

Annapolis, Kings

#### Size

4894 ha

# Classification

Wilderness Area

#### **Status**

Expansion

#### **Conditions Apply?**

Nο

### Overview

Several additions to Cloud Lake Wilderness Area including a large forest and river tract along the Nictaux River

# **Ecological Values**

Large intact habitat patch

Improves landscape representation of South Mountain Rolling Plain Natural Landscape

Povides habitat for several species of rare plants including provincially vulnerable eastern white cedar

Includes long stretch of upper Nictaux River

Many mature forest stands with red spruce, yellow birch, white pine, and hardwood

# **Outdoor Recreation Values**

Encompasses the lower 8 km of the Nictaux River wilderness canoe route

Backcountry recreation opportunities enhanced with easy access from Route 10 and South Shore - Annapolis Valley Rail Trail

Connects Shell Camp Stream to upper reaches of LaHave River canoe route

Enhances wilderness setting of Frog Lake and Cloud Lake Hiking, hunting, and fishing

# **Forestry Values**

Mix of mature hardwood, mixedwood, and softwood

Contains a few scattered cutovers and some thinned softwood stands

# **Other Resource Values**

Medium mineral potential

Low petroleum potential

Low wind potential

#### **Conditions**

## **Exclusions and Vehicle Access**

Access roads to Cloud Lake and Frog Lake excluded.

### **Additional Comments**

Includes 3 campsite leases

