South Branch Meadows Nature Reserve



County

Colchester

Size

302 ha

Classification

Nature Reserve

Status

New

Conditions Apply?

Yes

Overview

One kilometer of forest and wetland along the shoreline of the Stewiacke River and a large alkaline bog

Ecological Values

Shoreline along the Stewiacke River

Rich meadow wetland

Bog and fens with rare plants such as show lady's-slipper and bog willow

The only large bog in the Stewiacke River Valley

Habitat for nationally and provincially vulnerable wood turtle

Outdoor Recreation Values

Canoeing along the Stewiacke River

Forestry Values

Forested portion primarily young softwood

Most of forested portion clearcut in 1990s and planted

Other Resource Values

High to medium mineral potential

Part of the area is licensed for mineral exploration

High petroleum potential

The area overlaps with a regional agreement for petroleum exploration

Low wind pontential

Conditions

Legal protection subject to addressing mineral rights

Exclusions and Vehicle Access

Additional Comments

