



HRM Natural Resources and Open Space Questions

Question: What do you think our priorities for natural resource and environmental protection should be? Where do you think we should focus first? Please check your top five protection priorities below.

Legend	Protection Priorities
Agricultural Lands	
Archaeological Sites	
Extreme Slopes	
Heritage Corridors	
Large Mammal Habitat	
Local Heritage Sites	
Lighthouses	
Mines and Quarries	
Old Growth Forests (80+ years)	
Outdoor Recreation Areas	
Potential Regional Parks	
Private Forestry Lands	
Significant Habitat	
Unprotected Trails	
Vegetative Zone (20 Metre)	
Wetlands	

Please note: Maps showing our region's natural resources and open space have been produced for regional planning. The maps provide a picture of our environmental assets and current land uses. You can view the maps at upcoming Regional Planning Open Houses or visit our website: <http://www.halifax.ca/regionalplanning/index.html>

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Potential Open Space Corridors

The following table represents types of open space corridors that exist in HRM as shown in the attached Potential Regional Parks and Open Space Corridors map. Open space corridors are areas that provide connections from one place to another . There are several types of corridors. Wildlife corridors benefit large range species such as moose; riparian corridors (vegetated areas around waterbodies) provide habitat and ensure continued water quality in our lakes, rivers and estuaries. Heritage corridors represent early trade routes for European explorers and First Nations groups. Recreational activities take place in these corridors as well.

Question: What do you think our immediate priorities for corridors should be? What would your top five priorities be? Circle your priorities in the first column of the following table.

Please note: See the attached map for the corresponding corridor locations (# 1-14).

No.	Corridor Type(s)	Planning Objective	Comments
1	Wildlife	Maintain Forest Links with Lunenburg and West Hants Counties	
2	Wildlife Cultural Recreational	Maintain integrity of Peggy's Cove to Big Hubley Lake Corridor	
3	Wildlife Cultural Recreational Riparian	Maintain links between Terence Bay Wilderness Area and Long Lake Provincial Park	
4	Wildlife Cultural Recreational Riparian	Protect Pennant, Herring Cove and Purcells Cove backland corridors	
5	Wildlife Cultural Recreational Riparian	Ensure Continued connectivity of Cox Lake to Birch Cove Lakes corridor	

No.	Corridor Type(s)	Planning Objective	Comments
6	Wildlife Cultural Recreational Riparian	Maintain and/or reestablish links along the Shubenacadie Canal system between Halifax Harbour and Grand Lake	
7	Wildlife Cultural Recreational Riparian	Ensure protection of Porters Lake water and land-based connectivity to inland Crown.	
8	Wildlife Cultural Recreational Riparian	Maintain river corridor between Musquodoboit Harbour and Musquodoboit Valley.	
9	Wildlife	Develop corridor to inland Crown patch.	
10	Wildlife Recreational	Maintain corridor from Taylor Head to inland Crown.	
11	Wildlife	Maintain forest connectivity with Guysborough County.	
12	Wildlife Riparian	Maintain crown/private forest connectivity (interior east HRM)	
13	Wildlife	Maintain forest connectivity with East Hants.	
14	Wildlife Recreational Riparian	Ensure connectivity of Pockwock Lake to Grand Lake Corridor	

What have we missed?

Potential Regional Parks and Open Space Corridors

