

N.S. forms wildlife park in Halifax area

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Halifax -- More than 1,300 hectares of undeveloped land within the Halifax Regional Municipality have been made a protected wilderness area.

The provincial government has committed to protecting 12 per cent of Nova Scotia's land mass by 2015.

The new wilderness area has undeveloped lakes and wetlands, old red oak and red spruce stands and a rare arctic-alpine plant called mountain sandwort.