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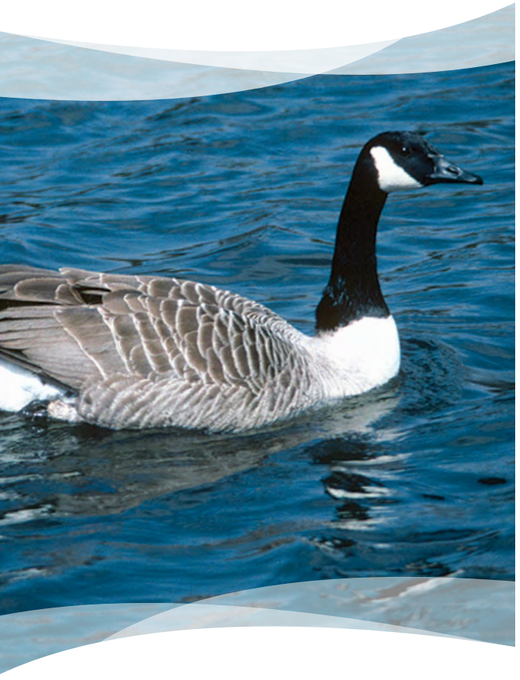
JOHN LUSBY MARSH NATIONAL WILDLIFE AREA



John Lusby Marsh National Wildlife Area

What makes John Lusby Marsh NWA so special?

John Lusby Marsh National Wildlife Area (NWA) is located close to Chignecto NWA at the head of the Bay of Fundy, near the town of Amherst, Nova Scotia. This 600-hectare NWA encompasses part of the largest continuous section of saltmarsh remaining in the Bay of Fundy ecosystem, as well as small brackish marshes and ponds. John Lusby Marsh NWA

- provides important staging areas for migrating waterfowl such as the **Canada Goose**, **American Black Duck**, **Green-winged Teal**, **American Wigeon** and **Northern Pintail**; and for shorebirds such as the **Greater** and **Lesser Yellowlegs**, **Short-billed Dowitcher** and **Willet**;
- supports breeding waterfowl such as the **American Black Duck** in the impoundments and saltmarsh ponds;
- is part of the Chignecto Ramsar site, a Wetland of International Importance;
- is part of the Upper Cumberland Basin Important Bird Area;
- contributes to the Bay of Fundy Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network site.

What are Environment Canada Protected Areas?

Environment Canada establishes marine and terrestrial NWAs for the purposes of conservation, research and interpretation. NWAs are established to protect migratory birds, species at risk, and other wildlife and their habitats. NWAs are established under the authority of the *Canada Wildlife Act* and are, first and foremost, places for wildlife. Migratory Bird Sanctuaries (MBSs) are established under the authority of the *Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994*, and provide a refuge for migratory birds in marine and terrestrial environments. The current Protected Areas Network consists of 54 NWAs and 92 MBSs comprising more than 12 million hectares across Canada.

What can I do at John Lusby Marsh NWA?

Access to the NWA is not restricted, and activities such as wildlife observation, hiking and photography are permitted. Waterfowl hunting is permitted, subject to federal and provincial regulations. For more information on access and permitting for John Lusby Marsh NWA, please contact the Environment Canada regional office.

Greater Yellowlegs

American Black Duck

Who can I contact?

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Where is John Lusby Marsh NWA?

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