

Nova Scotia Crown Share Land Legacy Trust

Supporting the Protection of High-Priority Conservation Lands in Nova Scotia

2025-2026 Annual Report

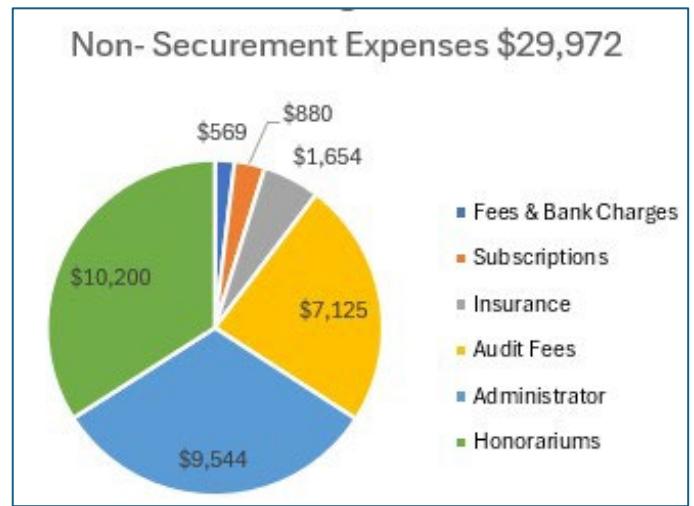
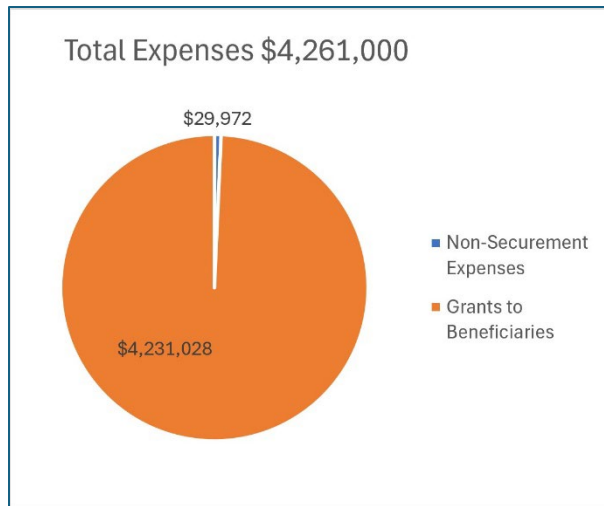
The Trust Indenture

The purpose of the Nova Scotia Crown Share Land Legacy Trust (NSCSLLT) is to fund the protection of some of the province's most ecologically significant, threatened, and irreplaceable areas on private land. The Trust funds are available to charitable, non-governmental land conservation organizations (land trusts) to secure lands of provincial conservation significance and protect them to high, internationally recognized standards for protection (IUCN protected area categories I, II, or III). These secured lands will be recognized as contributing to the Province's goal to protect 20 percent of Nova Scotia's land mass by 2030.

2025-2026 Approved Acquisitions through Purchases & Donations

Project Name	County	Beneficiary	Hectares
Lynch Lake	Annapolis	NSNT	160.87
Mattatall Lake Brook	Colchester	NCC	33.37
Caraberis	Cumberland	NCC	12.14
Wentworth (Tuttle Tratt)	Cumberland	NSNT	34.80
Tully - Musquodoboit Harbour	Halifax	NCC	26.17
Gibraltar	HRM	NCC	214.55
West Pennant	HRM	NCC	109.27
DeHaan	HRM	NCC	126.26
Marble Mtn (Campebell Cubed)	Inverness	NSNT	29.14
MacIntosh Mountain	Inverness	NSNT	83.77
Lime Hill	Inverness	NSNT	148.32
Sperry & Bell Woods 2	Lunenburg	LCCA	57.53
Huey Lake	Lunenburg	LCCA	14.37
Pentz LaHave Costal Forest	Lunenburg	LCCA	6.96
Grant 5 LaHave Coastal Forest	Lunenburg	LCCA	39.05
Cape LaHave	Lunenburg	NSNT	1055.44
Cheema	Queens	NCC	48.16
Shinglemill Brook	Queens	NSNT	52.61
Barrington River	Shelburne	DUC	202.35
Dirty Creek	Shelburne	NCC	93.89
Johns Island	Shelburne	NSNT	68.08
Churchover	Shelburne	NSNT	141.64
Blanche Peninsula - Franks Ledge	Shelburne	NSNT	14.09
Taylors Pond	Victoria	NSNT	411.78
Ottawa Brook Conservation Project	Victoria	NCC	25.50
Lac de L'Ecole	Yarmouth	NSNT	39.66
Cedar Lake	Yarmouth	NSNT	19.02

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Summary of projects approved by the Land Legacy Trust and partners for the securement of high-conservation-priority lands from February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2026 (Fiscal year 2025-2026).

# of Properties	Hectares Protected	NSCSLLT Contribution	Fair Market Value	Total Value of Projects
27	3,227	\$4,231,028	\$9,679,815	\$13,295,320

Funding Leveraged	Land Value Leveraged	Project Value Leveraged
\$9,064,292	229%	314%

Beneficiary	Hectares Protected	Securement	Endowment	Total NSCSLLT Contribution
Ducks Unlimited	202.3	\$82,000	\$16,500	\$98,500
LaHave Coastal Conservation Assoc.	117.9	\$267,664	\$61,214	\$328,878
Nature Conservancy of Canada	689.28	\$840,544	\$311,004	\$1,151,548
Nova Scotia Nature Trust	2,259.2	\$2,080,977	\$571,125	\$2,652,102

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Project Spotlights

Nova Scotia Nature Trust – Lynch Lake



The 397-acre property surrounds the entirety of Lynch Lake in Annapolis County, in the settlement of Perotte located southeast of Annapolis Royal. It is characterized by mixed wood Wabanaki forest, with patches of mature and potentially old-growth forest throughout.

The newly protected property abuts crown land to the south and is close to the provincially protected [Lambs Lake Nature Reserve](#), enhancing the connectivity of protected habitats in this area.

“Nova Scotia Nature Trust” 2026-Jun-20,
<https://nsnt.ca/blog/lynch-lake/>

Nature Conservancy of Canada – Musquodoboit River and Harbour

Musquodoboit is a tidal inlet, largely enclosed by a barrier sand beach and many forested islands. This area’s diverse coastal habitats support thousands of migratory birds year-round, including 8,000 Canada geese during spring migration, more than 3,000 green-winged teals in the fall and over 2,000 American black ducks over the winter. Endangered piping plovers nest and breed on Martinique Beach near Musquodoboit Harbour, one of the most popular beaches and the longest sandy beach in Nova Scotia.

“Nature Conservancy of Canada”, 2026-Jun-20,
<https://natureconservancy.ca/where-we-work/nova-scotia/musquodoboit->



Musquodoboit River, NS (Photo Haley MacDonald/NCC)