



## Report from the Steering Committee

February 6, 2009

CHEBUCTO WILDERNESS COALITION

### Endorsement of the Liberal Caucus

Three members of the Chebucto Wilderness Coalition (CWC) Steering Committee attended a meeting with Stephen McNeil, Leader of the Nova Scotia Liberal Caucus and his assistant, Shawn Lawlor, the morning of January 7, 2009. In attendance representing the CWC Steering Committee were Beth McGee, Tom Musial, and Mike Marriott.

The subject of the meeting was to discuss the CWC's work and proposal for the preservation of lands on the Chebucto Peninsula. As a result of this positive meeting the CWC Steering Committee has received an endorsement letter from Stephan McNeil, dated January 13, 2009. Mr. McNeil's letter he stated that:

"After discussing your proposal with the Liberal Caucus, I am pleased to offer our full support in your efforts to protect lands between Highway 103 and Route 333, as well as lands owned by the Halifax Regional Municipality at Big Five Bridge Lake and Moores Lake."

And that the Nova Scotia Liberal Caucus:

"would be pleased to work with you in order to protect this region under the *Wilderness Area Protection Act*."

In the letter Mr. McNeil also wished the Chebucto Wilderness Coalition Success in our labours to create a wilderness area, and requested that the Liberal Caucus be kept up to date on the progress of the CWC.

As part of keeping the Nova Scotia Liberal Caucus up to date on the Chebucto Wilderness Coalition's progress, the steering committee will also be sending the Caucus the CWC's steering committee reports in the future.

This is another important milestone for the protection of lands on the Chebucto Peninsula.