## Announcing! March 27, 2021

Marsh Lake, in the Sandy Lake-Sackville River Regional Park, is the latest TREASURED WETLAND designated by **Ducks Unlimited Canada and the NS Dept. of Lands and Forestry and NS Environment and Climate Change**.

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This area is known for its ecological richness, as well as providing community education and recreation.

The wetland around the lake is a healthy ecosystem with the rich flora and fauna of an extensive wetland, including waterfowl, barred owls, mink, fox, deer, otters, loons, osprey and many reptiles and amphibians, including 3 different species of turtles! Atlantic Salmon have returned to the lake thanks to the 30+ years of work by the Sackville Rivers Association. The area has old growth Acadian Forest stands with trees 200 years old. Old growth forests are rare in Nova Scotia, and are home to species that do not live in younger forests.

Ducks Unlimited Canada in Atlantic Canada works to protect and restore this region's wetlands. These wetlands not only provide important habitat, but also filter our drinking and recreational water and help offset flooding and droughts, benefiting us all.

Thank you to Ducks Unlimited Canada and the **NS Dept. of Lands and Forestry and NS Environment and Climate Change** for recognizing Marsh Lake in this way!

Nature walks to visit the Marsh Lake, plus other opportunities, will be announced later this spring.

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