



Area Management Summary

Area management is a planning approach that allows for the development of specific objectives and actions for key areas within the park. This approach is helpful when:

- Complex issues require a greater level of direction;
- Visitors, local residents or the public have formed a special attachment or connection with the area; or
- A distinct management approach is required (e.g. a culturally significant site within a national park).

Five areas within Bruce Peninsula National Park require specific management objectives.

Cyprus Lake Campground / Grotto

Current Situation

- highest visitor use in the park
- iconic Grotto is very popular
- diversity of experiences and services
- challenges related to high traffic and congestion, public safety, & waste management
- need to keep the lake invasive species free

Proposed Vision Elements

- a pristine, personal experience in an undeveloped area where the escarpment scenery provokes a sense of awe upon arrival at the shoreline.
- basic amenities and accessibility for a wide range of visitors are provided to facilitate this high quality experience.

Singing Sands

Current Situation

- high visitation, easy access
- popular alternate when Cyprus is full
- parking congestion and proximity to adjacent private lands present some challenges
- infrastructure, especially washrooms does not meet the experience or demand

Proposed Vision Elements

- an area of high ecological value that honours the legacy of conservation (FON)
- something different: an experience that contrasts the rugged escarpment





Halfway Log Dump/Emmett Lake

Current Situation

- need to define capacity
- visitor safety issues – Cyprus overflow visitors unprepared for HWLD
- no washroom at shoreline

Proposed Vision Elements:

- a less congested, “rustic” experience
- world class experiences – bouldering, photography

Little Cove

Current Situation

- access for divers and kayakers
- day use area and launch point for hikers
- adjacent to a 50 acre nature reserve
- poor sense of arrival to a national park once you get to the shoreline
- road allowance requires maintenance
- no permanent washrooms

Proposed Vision Elements

- small, low-key access point that supports niche activities (e.g., diving and kayaking)
- kayak access point that offers a less congested experience for paddlers

Warder/Shaw Ranch – Crane Lake

Current Situation

- historic value as a landscape representing agricultural exploits of early pioneers
- access point for Bruce Trail and backcountry campsites

Proposed Vision Elements

- small, low-key access point for Bruce Trail
- great wildlife/birding area

