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The Honourable Sterling Belliveau Minister of Environment 5th Floor, Terminal Road 5151 Terminal Road P.O. Box 442 Halifax, Nova Scotia **B3J2P8** 

Dear Minister Belliveau,

## Chebucto Peninsula - Five Bridge Lakes Wilderness Area - Candidate for RE: Wilderness Protection Area Designation

On behalf of the residents of the Western Region Community Council, we thank you for your recent announcement regarding the proposed candidate protection wilderness area to be known as the Five Bridge Lakes Wilderness Area on the Chebucto Peninsula.

We appreciate the proactive environmental stewardship shown by the province in regard to this recent announcement. We wish the Departments of Environment and Natural Resources every success in their mutual endeavour to protect wilderness areas.

Sincerely,

WESTERN REGION COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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