

HECLA / GRINDSTONE

CLASSIFICATION

Natural Park

LANDSCAPE DESCRIPTION

Total park area is 1,084 km², characterized by a peninsula of land, a series of islands and adjacent waters in Lake Winnipeg. Landscapes are varied, and include areas of coniferous and mixed forests, limestone cliffs and silica sand beaches, as well as marshes, bogs, fens and wet meadows.

PARK PURPOSE

To preserve areas that are representative of the Mid Boreal Lowland portion of the Manitoba Lowlands Natural Region; and accompdate a diversity of recreational opportunities and resource uses.

The park will

- Provide nature-oriented recreational opportunities such as hiking, willdlife viewing and cross country skiing in a largely undisturbed environment;
- Provide opportunities for a wide range of high-quality intensive recreational activities and permit
 associated developments such as campgrounds, commercial resorts, harbours and cottaging;
- · Protect and maintain Aboriginal cultural sites on Black Island and the Icelandic fishing settlement on Hecia Island;
- · Promote public appreciation and understanding of park's natural features; and
- Accommodate commercial resource uses such as hay and peat leases, where such activities do not compromise other park purposes.







