

How the site will be monitored

If the Landscape of Grand Pré is inscribed on the World Heritage List, the Grand Pré World Heritage Site Stewardship Board [[hyperlink GPWHSSB to “role of the Stewardship Board” in “Management of the Site”](#)] will prepare a report with its key partners on the state of conservation of the property. The Board will also contribute to Canada’s report to the World Heritage Committee.

Under the World Heritage Convention, State Parties must report on the state of conservation of their World Heritage properties on a six year cycle.

Present monitoring of the site

Different agencies monitor the resources for which they are responsible.

Federally, Parks Canada monitors the condition of cultural resources, visitor experience, and public understanding and appreciation at Grand-Pré National Historic Site of Canada.

Provincially, the Department of Agriculture monitors the condition of the dykes, *aboiteaux*, and drainage on the dykes. The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal monitors the condition of the public road network and associated infrastructure.

Locally, the Municipality of the County of Kings monitors the activities that are permitted in and around the nominated property.

No single report currently exists for the entire nominated property. However, a number of reports cover its individual components. These include the areas under the jurisdiction of Parks Canada. The Department of Agriculture has also prepared internal reports on the condition of the dykes.

Reports are available on archaeological research conducted under Heritage Research Permits issued by the Nova Scotia Museum. Reports are also available for research under Archaeological Permits issued by Parks Canada for lands it administers. Reports on other research initiatives also exist. A complete list of these research reports is available in the *Strategy for the Management and Conservation of Archaeological Heritage in the Landscape of Grand Pré*.

Future monitoring of the site

All the jurisdictions will take a coordinated approach to monitoring. To ensure that this happens, they will report in a similar way. When reporting, each jurisdiction will focus on the performance measures of the goals in the *Management Plan for the Landscape of Grand Pré*:

Goal 1: to provide for the protection, continuing community and agricultural use and appreciation of the nominated property

Goal 2: to enrich the existing tourism destination by promoting wide recognition, understanding and appreciation of the educational and cultural values represented by the nominated property

Goal 3: to instil a strong sense of shared community pride and stewardship in the protection, interpretation and promotion of the nominated property.

Some indicators will be measured through a coordinated monitoring program. These include:

- **monitoring coastal change:** this involves the Department of Agriculture, the Municipality of the County of Kings, and the Canadian Wildlife Service.
- **monitoring the condition of archaeological sites:** this involves Parks Canada and the Department of Communities, Culture, and Heritage (Heritage Division).
- **monitoring visitors and visitor satisfaction:** this involves Destination Southwest Nova, *Société Promotion Grand-Pré*, and Parks Canada.

Indicators that will be monitored

The following list outlines the indicators on which the Grand Pré World Heritage Site Stewardship Board will report to describe the condition of the nominated property. The list also shows how often they will be monitored and where the records are kept.

Integrity of archaeological heritage (every 3 years): Parks Canada; Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage

Integrity of memorials and use (every 3 years): Parks Canada

Percentage of land used for agricultural purposes in property and in buffer zone (every 5 years): Municipality of the County of Kings

Integrity of the dykelands, the dykes, the main drainage patterns, and the salt marsh/coastline; and the *aboiteaux* gates (every 5 years): Department of Agriculture, Grand Pré Marsh Body, Canadian Wildlife Service, Municipality of the County of Kings

Integrity of the historic road patterns and settlement pattern on the uplands (every 5 years): Municipality of the County of Kings

Increase in visibility (every 3 years): Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage; *Société Promotion Grand-Pré*; Parks Canada

Incidence of stakeholder and authority collaboration to conserve archaeological sites and other forms of heritage (every year): Parks Canada; Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage

Number of Acadian visitors to the area (every 5 years): *Société Promotion Grand-Pré*, Parks Canada

Number of research projects (every 3 years): Parks Canada; Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage

Coordinating the monitoring

The Grand Pré World Heritage Stewardship Board will undertake responsibility for coordinating the monitoring of the nominated property. Monitoring data is available from the site management coordinator at:

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An annual status report will be prepared and made publicly available on the website.