

Restoring Navigation on The Shubenacadie Canal

The Shubenacadie Canal Commission is planning to restore the most unique infrastructure ever seen in Dartmouth.

This historic waterway linked both coasts of Nova Scotia in the 1800s until it was eclipsed by the railroad. After sitting untouched for over 150 years, it has again captured the interest of government and private industry.

The canal corridor is home to the Trans Canada Trail and has been proposed for designation as a Canadian Heritage River.

The section is close to Metro, includes three 19th century locks, and is one of the world's most popular canoe courses. Being within minutes of the international cruise ship port-of-call, this 12 km, section is poised to become a premier tourism destination in its own right.

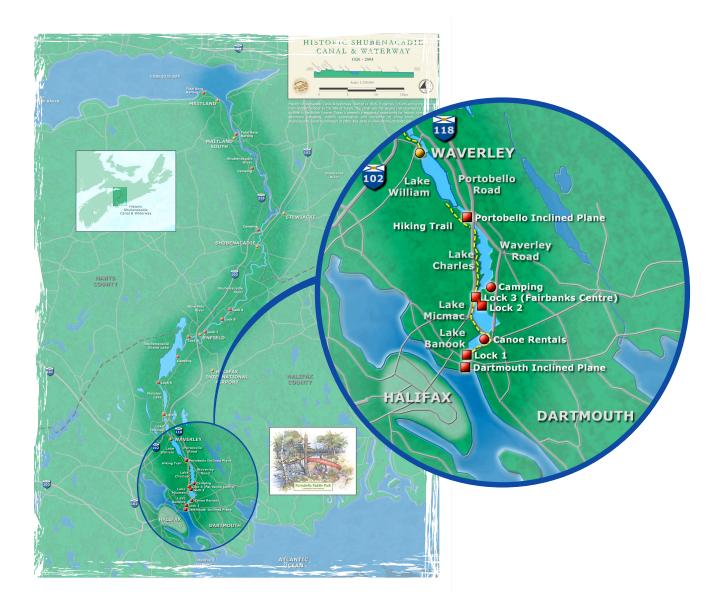
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Statement of Work

Docking facilities at Lock 1 :	\$ 40,000
Rebuild Lock 2:	\$ 1,050,000
Road Crossing Lock 2 :	\$ 450,000
Gates at Lock 3 :	\$ 350,000
Docking Facilities at PortoBello	\$ 60,000

Project total

\$1,950,000



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Why THIS project now?

- Refurbishing has been completed on Lock 1 in Lake Banook. It will serve as a 'demonstration lock' as well as the southern terminus for the charter boat day-tour through the Shubie Park locks.
- Project design surveys have been completed on Lock 2 (Shubie Park) and the project is ready for detailed reconstruction.
- Stabilization of Lock 3 (Shubie Park) has been completed and the structure stands ready to have the upper and lower gates fitted.

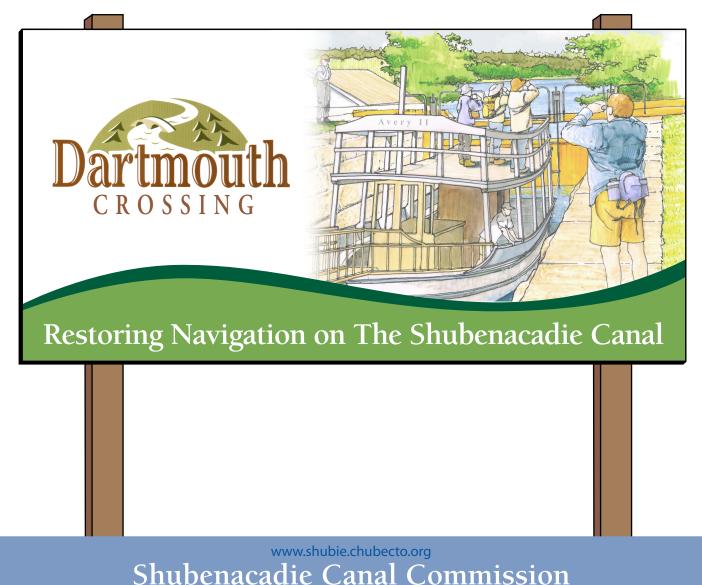




- The well-established Fairbanks Centre in Shubie Park is ready now to receive groups, present interpretative programs and offer merchandising of canal-tour souvenirs.
- Pocket park and trail development in PortoBello have been started, including nature trails and interpretation of the canal-era remnants.
- Archeology is underway on the PortoBello Inclined Plane, the northern terminus of the proposed charter boat day-tour, making a truly fascinating destination including cultural, natural and archeological remnants.

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