

frenchman bay partners

Working Toward a Healthy and Sustainable Frenchman Bay

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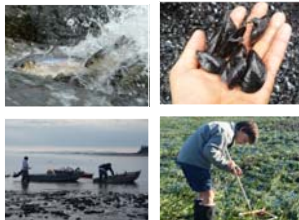
History

Frenchman Bay Partners evolved from a series of stakeholder and planning meetings in 2010.

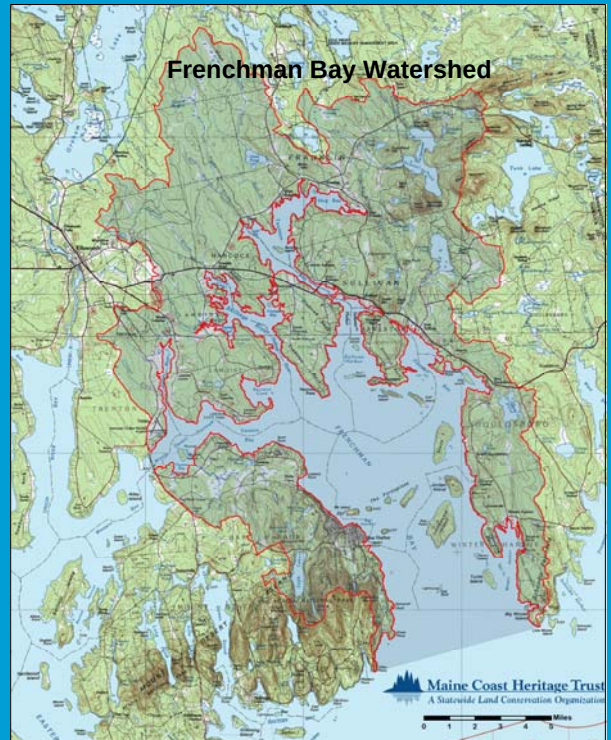
Diverse stakeholders were included in planning.

Using a Conservation Action Planning process, the following habitats and species were prioritized:

Mudflats
Eelgrass
Diadromous fish
Benthic habitats



Scope



Mission and Approach

The mission of the Frenchman Bay Partners is to ensure that the Frenchman Bay area is ecologically, economically and socially healthy and resilient in the face of future challenges.

Our approach is to address issues in a way that does not require top down intervention or legislative action.

Accomplishments

Communication

Online



www.frenchmanbaypartners.org



Facilitation



http://wn.com/frenchman_bay_partners

Frenchman Bay Partners help to facilitate conversations and build capacity among partners. **Recent success:** facilitating conversations between Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Committee and Maine Department of Marine Resources has led to open clamflats.

Conservation

Project 610

The goal of Project 610 is to open 610 restricted acres of clamflats in Frenchman Bay.

Recent Success:
~70 acres in Kilkenny Cove have been opened!



Eelgrass



The goal for eelgrass conservation is to restore the bay to 1996 eelgrass levels over the next 30 years.

Recent Success:
Restored eelgrass areas in 227 acres have rebounded after a 2013 collapse.