

shown volunteer programs, with community and organization support are very effective and should be the direction to proceed.

### 3. Legislation

There are several legislative changes which when implemented will improve or protect P.E.I.'s environmental resources. The recent alteration of the Planning Act to permit better management of some of P.E.I.'s more scenic roads is an example of what legislative action can be initiated.

### 4. Planning

There is a good deal of room for improved planning. Such action would make it easier to anticipate problems, and perhaps overcome them before they actually occurred. Some communities have already identified environmentally important areas in their official plans which they wish to protect.

### 5. Economic Implication of Conservation Activities

There are many programs which combine improved conservation activities with increased tourism potential for the area. The improvements to the Morell River and stocking programs which have resulted in a substantial salmon population, which could serve as an important tourist drawing card is an example.

### 6. Funding

Unfortunately conservation activities are not cheap. The maintenance and improvement of our province's resources, although inexpensive in the long run will require funds in the short term.

It is hoped that the Government will address the Strategy in the spring sitting of the Legislature and that you will be able to see action soon thereafter.

### Provincial Parks Winter Programs

Provincial Parks has an active program this winter. Although all parks are open for snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, picnicking, etc., managed programs are available at Brudenell River, Brookvale and Mill River Provincial Parks. The days that these facilities are open and the activities available are as follows:

		<u>Facilities</u>	<u>Rental</u>
Brudenell River Provincial Park	7 days per week	Groomed trails, Toboggan hill	Cross-country ski equipment, snowshoes, toboggans
Brookvale Provincial Park	Wednesday-Sunday	Groomed trails, Downhill slopes, Toboggan hill	Cross-country ski equipment, downhill ski equipment, toboggans
Mill River Provincial Park	7 days per week	Groomed trails	Cross-country ski equipment, snowshoes