

Napatree Point Conservation Area

DESCRIPTION

The Napatree Point Conservation Area (NTPCA) is managed by the Watch Hill Fire District and the Watch Hill Conservancy. The NTPCA stewards the Napatree Point ecosystem, monitors its environmental condition, and delivers environmental education programs to children, students, and adult learners.

MISSION STATEMENT

We protect and enhance the ecological condition and ecosystem resilience of Napatree Point in order to make it a safe, enjoyable, and informative destination for all visitors.

OUR VISION

The Napatree Point Conservation Area is recognized as a national model for natural area stewardship and is regarded as a premier destination for visitors to enjoy its dramatic natural beauty and spectacular wildlife.

OUR CORE VALUES

- *We base management and stewardship decisions of the Napatree Point Conservation Area on the best available science and data.*
- *We strive to enhance the resilience to human and natural disturbances of the Napatree Point ecosystem.*
- *We monitor the condition of the fauna and flora, and the ecosystem and geological processes of Napatree Point.*
- *We share data and information with the local community, students, scientists, and decision-makers, and make lessons learned and best management practices available to other natural areas across the country.*
- *We engage and educate school-aged children of the ecology of Napatree Point and instill in them a curiosity and respect for the natural world.*
- *Napatree Point is a community resource and is open to all visitors.*

WE ACHIEVE OUR MISSION

- *Through our Investigators Program; we engage and educate school-aged children of the ecology of Napatree Point, instill in them a curiosity for nature, and establish a respect for the environment.*
- *Through our Naturalist staff and programs; we educate visitors to Napatree Point of the natural history of the site and encourage respectful behaviors that do not disturb wildlife or damage the ecosystem.*
- *Through our scientific monitoring of the ecological and geological condition of Napatree; we know the driving processes and degrees of variation in the system and can assess the impact of future natural and human-caused disturbances.*
- *Through our restoration programs; we enhance the biological diversity and resilience of the Napatree Point ecosystem.*
- *Through the State of Napatree Reports, lectures, hosted visits, and multimedia outreach materials; we share the results of our monitoring and education programs with the public, scientists, and decision-makers.*