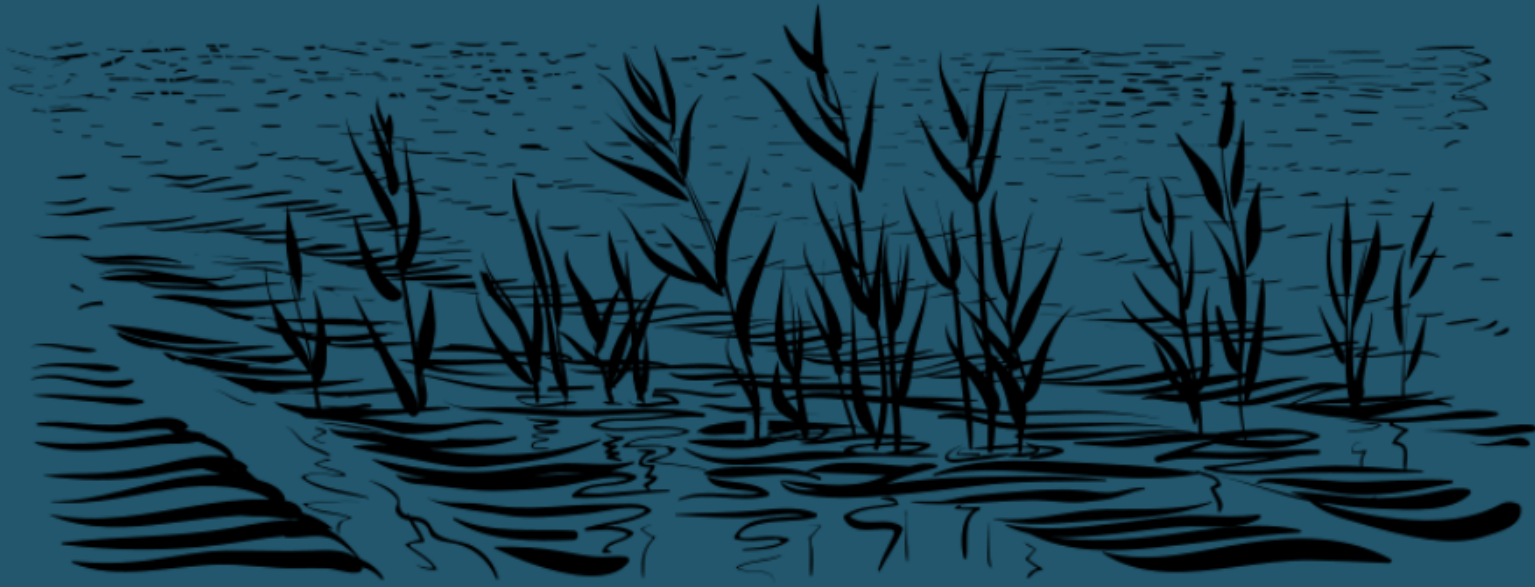


# HILLMAN MARSH

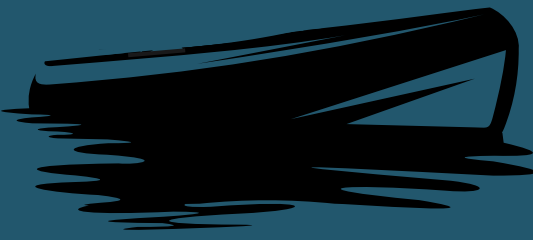
## CONSERVATION AREA

Hillman Marsh is classified as a(n):

- Environmentally Significant Area
- Provincially Significant Wetland
- Area of Natural and Scientific Interest



Hillman Marsh is located on the traditional territory of Caldwell First Nation, and is a location of traditional use and knowledge.



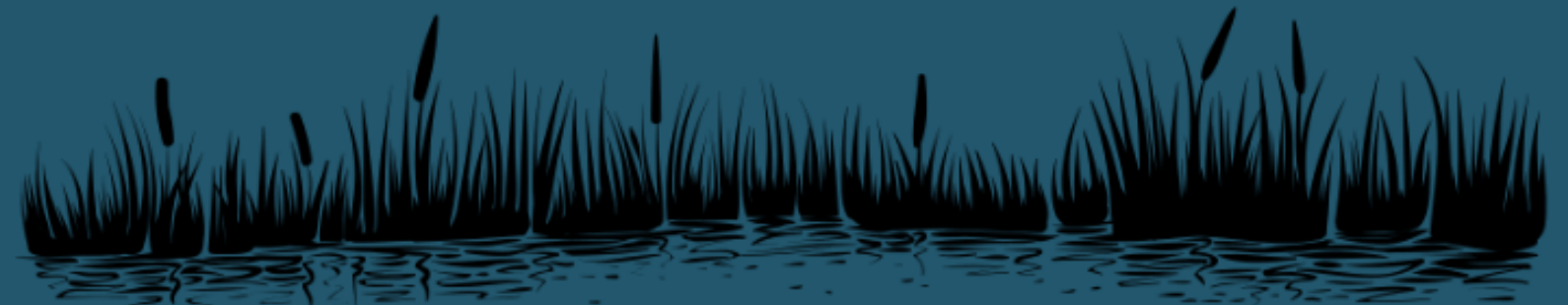
Over the last several decades, Hillman Marsh has attracted thousands annually for outdoor recreation, including summer camps, nature tours, bird watching, water sports, and hunting events.



In the 1800's, the present marsh at Point Pelee National Park extended north to the present limits of Hillman Marsh, creating one large marsh that was partially used as a Military Reserve.



In 1989, two controlled wetland cells were created to allow for water level management. Drawdowns are completed every 10-15 years to expose mudflats and allow for seeds to germinate.



Climate change poses various threats to Hillman Marsh, including an increase in lake level variability, an increase in the frequency and intensity of storm events, and a decrease in winter ice cover.



Hillman Marsh is a migratory stopover for over 100 species of birds. It's diverse habitats attract and support marsh, shore and field birds



Hillman Marsh is home to hundreds of Species at Risk, including the American Lotus, Blanding's Turtle, Snapping Turtle, Northern Map Turtle, Prothonotary Warbler, Piping Plover, and King Rail.

