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## **The Hiking Summit and COVID-19**

Hike Nova Scotia and its Hiking Summit planning committee are closely monitoring developments concerning the COVID-19 virus. At this time, there are no plans to cancel the Summit, which is scheduled to take place on June 5, 6 and 7 in Chéticamp. The health and safety of participants, volunteers, sponsors and the wider community is our top concern, therefore we will follow recommendations of public health officials and act accordingly.

The Summit will be capped at 150 people (we will keep a waiting list when we reach this cap). Our cancellation policy still stands as follows: You may cancel your Hiking Summit registration by June 1 at noon and receive a full refund. Cancellations between June 1 at noon and June 4 at noon will receive a 50% refund. Cancellations after June 4 at noon and no-shows will not be refunded. If we cancel the Summit due to health concerns around the virus, all participants will be fully refunded.

We will continue to monitor the situation and at least one month before the Summit we will provide an update to Summit participants, volunteers, sponsors and stakeholders.

In the meantime, we urge you to follow all recommendations of public health officials on how to prevent the spread of the virus. For more information, please go to <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/>.

We also urge you to get outside, where possible and appropriate, during these tense and uncertain times (while practicing social distancing and following public health recommendations referenced above). Hiking is an excellent way to de-stress and to stay healthy!

Learn more about the [Hiking Summit here](#).