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## **Press Release - Senator Edmund S. Muskie Praises Casco Bay Island Preservation Plan**

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FORT KENT --- Senator Edmund S. Muskie tonight called the Casco Bay island ~~best~~ <sup>preservation</sup> plan which has been proposed by the U.S. Department of the Interior "an imaginative and far-sighted proposal."

~~"In a statement~~ In a prepared statement, Senator Muskie said: "Following the cooperative federal-state approach we used in preserving the Allagash Waterway, the plan offers Maine people a chance to join in a federal-state and local, public and private program to protect and enhance <sup>one</sup> ~~one~~ of our most precious resources."

Senator Muskie worked out the Allagash Waterway Program with the former Secretary of Interior Stewart Udall. In that plan, the Secretary used his discretionary funds under the Land and Water Conservation Act to pay half the cost of land acquisition and development of the waterway under a plan developed by the Maine legislature and approved ~~by~~ <sup>by</sup> Maine voters.

*"Muskie continued,"*  
"The Bureau of Outdoor Recreation has made another substantial contribution to Maine and its environmental improvement. I look forward to working with the Bureau and my colleagues in support of the objectives of the proposal."

The preservation plan, which is part of the National Trusts Act, ~~has been~~ was developed by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation of the U.S. Department of Interior and will be submitted to Congress for approval.

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