**MAINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**Inventory Data for Municipal Growth Management Plans**

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Municipality: **KENNEBUNKPORT.**

Inventory data as of :**April 2021**

Thirteen prehistoric sites are known, all of them located on islands or the marine coast shoreline. Multiple sites have been located on the islands or intertidal zone and one on the mainland around Stage Island/Cape Porpoise Harbor by substantial professional archeological survey in the last couple of years lead by the Cape Porpoise Archaeological Alliance and Brick Store Museum, plus public reports of stone tools eroding onto beaches. One of the sites consisted of a wooden dugout canoe, now conserved and currently in the Brick Store Museum.

The other two sites are located near Cape Arundel, public reports of eroding stone tools.

The only other professional prehistoric archaeological survey in Kennebunkport has been accomplished in the northern interior of the town with Land for Maine’s Future funding.

Map dated 2018 is still current and covers the recent site location areas.

Needs for further survey, inventory, and analysis: With the exception of a few islands around Stage Island harbor, all of the marine shoreline of Kennebunkport, and the estuaries of the Kennebunk, Batson, and Little Rivers need systematic professional archaeological survey.