**Thompson River District** 

# MANAGEMENT DIRECTION STATEMENT

October, 1999

for Adams Lake Marine Provincial Park -Poplar Point Site



Ministry of Environment Lands and Parks BC Parks Division



Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks BC Parks Headquarters 2nd Floor, 800 Johnson Victoria, BC V8V 1X4 Phone: (250) 387-5002 Fax: (250) 387-5757

## APPROVALS

#### KAMLOOPS GOAL 2 PROTECTED AREAS MANAGEMENT DIRECTION STATEMENTS - GOAL 2 BINDER APPROVALS PAGE

#### Forward

This binder contains 32 management direction statements developed under the direction of the Kamloops Land and Resource Plan Implentation Table and BC Parks. The government designated these protected areas in May, 1996. The 32 management direction statements provide strategic direction for these protected areas. Protected areas' roles, strategies and objectives will not change extensively over time. Management actions, implemented through operations plans, however, will change as priorities, funding and support resources come available.

- □ Adams Lake Park
- Adams Lake Marine Park Poplar Point
- □ Adams Lake Park Spillman Beach
- □ Banana Island Park
- Bedard Aspen Park
- □ Blue River Black Spruce Park
- □ Blue River Pine Park
- Caligata Park
- □ Chu Chua Cottonwood Park
- Eakin Creek Canyon Park
- Deadman Hoodoos Park Skookumt Site
- Eakin Creek Canyon Park
- Eakin Creek Floodplain Park.
- Epsom Park.
- □ Finn Creek Park.
- Greenstone Mountain Park.
- □ Harbour Dudgeon Park.
- □ Harry Lake Aspen Park.

#### Approved by:

Monty Downs

Monty Downs District Manager Thompson River District

Date: <u>99/11/30</u>

- □ Hiuihill Creek Park.
- □ Lac Le Jeune Park.
- □ Monte Creek Park
- ☐ Mount. Savona Park
- □ Mud Creek Delta Park
- □ North Thompson Islands Park
- □ North Thompson Oxbows East Park
- □ North Thompson Oxbow Jensen Park
- □ North Thompson Oxbow Manteau Park
- Deainted Bluffs Park
- □ Pritchard Park
- D Pyramid Creek Falls Park
- □ Tsintsunko Lakes Park
- □ Wallachin Oxbows Park
- $\Box$  Wire Cache Park

Denis O'Gorman\_

Denis O'Gorman Assistant Deputy Minister Parks Division

Date: <u>99/12/29</u>

### **Table of Contents**

I.	Introduction			
	А.	Setting and Context	1	
П.	Protected Areas Values			
	А.	Conservation	1	
	В.	Recreation and Tourism	1	
	C.	Cultural Heritage	1	
	D.	Significance in the Protected Areas System	1	
III.	Othe	er Land Uses and Interests		
	А.	Existing Tenures	3	
	В.	Adjacent Patterns of Land Use	3	
	C.	First Nations Interests	3	
	D.	Other Agency Interests	3	
	E.	Private and Public Stakeholder Interests	3	
IV.	Management Issues and Concerns			
	А.	Integration With Other Land Use Planning Processes	3	
	В.	Consultation and Future Planning	3	
	C.	Role of the Park	4	
	D.	Zoning	4	
	Е.	Management Objectives and Strategies	4	
	F.	Longer Term Issues and Concerns	4	
	G.	Short Term Issues and Concerns	6	
Activi	ity / Us	e Matrix	7	
Figure				
Map 2	l Regio	onal Location	2	
Map 2	2 Zonii	1g	5	

#### **Purpose of Management Direction Statements**

Management Direction Statements provide strategic management direction for all protected areas that do not have a full management plan. MDS do not negate the need for future, more detailed management plans. Management Direction Statements also describe protected area values management issues and concerns; management strategy focused on immediate priority objectives and strategies; and, directional statements from other planning processes. While strategies may be identified in the MDS, the completion of all these strategies is subject to funding and funding procedures. In addition, all development associated with these strategies within the protected area is subject to the BC Parks Impact Assessment Policy.

#### ADAMS LAKE MARINE PARK

#### **POPLAR POINT SITE**

#### MANAGEMENT DIRECTION STATEMENT

#### I. Introduction

#### A. Setting and Context

The 31.9-hectare Adams Lake Marine Park - Poplar Point Site protects a good beach and adjacent upland on the East side of Adams Lake. This site is managed as a component of the Adams Lake Park system. It is situated 65 kilometers east of Kamloops, and accessed by boat.

This protected area was recommended through the Kamloops LRMP (Land and Resource Management Plan) process and formally established on April 30th, 1996 as a provincial park through Order-in-Council under the *Park Act*. The park was then designated in Schedule E of the *Park Amendment Act*, 1997.

This Management Direction Statement is intended to provide direction and guidelines for managing Adams Lake Marine Park - Poplar Point Site for the foreseeable future.

#### **II. Protected Area Values**

#### A. Conservation

- a fine pebble beach on Adams Lake
- upland forest of mixed Douglas-fir, western red cedar and cottonwoods

#### **B.** Recreation and Tourism

- one of the better quality beaches on Adams Lake
- access by boat for day use and camping

#### C. Cultural Heritage

• unknown; beach sites on Adams Lake would have been used by First Nations

#### D. Significance in the Protected Areas System

• Adams Lake is of provincial significance for present and future recreation use. Adams Lake Poplar Point is one of four beach sites (Adams Lake Park, Momich Lakes Park and Adams Lake Marine Park - Spillman Beaches Site) on Adams Lake that together provide opportunities for recreation use of the lake

#### Kamloops LRMP Goal 2 Protected Areas Location Map

#### Legend

PS2 P28 Adams Lake Park P55 Adams Lake Marine Park - Poplar Point Park PS7 P60 Adams Lake Marine Park - Spillman Beaches Site P29 Banana Island Park P31 Bedard Aspen Park P32 Blue River Black Spruce Park P33 Blue River Pine Park P35 Caligata Park P36 Chu Chua Cottonwood Park P38 Eakin Creek Canyon Park P39 Eakin Creek Floodplain Park P40 Epsom Park P59 Deadman Hoodoos Park - Skookum Site P41 Finn Creek Park P42 Greenstone Mountain Park P43 Harbour - Dudgeon Park P30 Hiuihill Creek Park Site P44 Harry Lake Aspen Site P46 Lac Le Jeune Park CLEAR P47 Monte Creek Site P48 Mount Savona Park P49 Mud Lake Delta Park P50 North Thompson Islands Park P51 North Thompson Oxbows East Park P45 North Thompson Oxbows Jensen Island Park P52 North Thompson Oxbows Manteau Park P54 Painted Bluffs Park P56 Pritchard Park P57 Pyramid Creek Falls Park P62 Tsintsunko Lakes Park P63 Walhachin Park P64 Wire Cache Park 21 CAMLOOPS ch 31, 1996

#### III. Other Land Uses and Interests

#### A. Existing Tenures

• Park designation under the *Park Amendment Act* ensures that all existing liens, charges, and encumbrances other than those applying to commercial logging, mining or energy exploration and development will continue to be authorized through issuance of park use permits. This policy recognizes all existing land act tenures, water rights, trapping licenses and other legal tenures and rights.

#### **B.** Adjacent Patterns of Land Use

• logging roads; old and new cutblocks

#### **C. First Nations Interests**

• interests of local First Nations unknown; BC Parks will maintain ongoing consultation with local First Nations groups related to park management and development.

#### **D.** Other Agency Interests

The Park will be managed in close co-ordination with various resource agencies, particularly BC Environment, Department of Fisheries and Oceans (Government of Canada), and Ministry of Forests.

#### E. Private and Public Stakeholder Interests

• unknown

#### **IV. Management Issues and Concerns**

#### A. Integration with Other Land Use Planning Processes

This management statement, any future management plans, and all resulting management actions will follow the intent and criteria set out by the Kamloops LRMP for the Adams Lake - Poplar Point protected area.

#### **B.** Consultation and Future Planning

Planning and management of the park will conform to the goals, objectives and guiding principles as set forth in the Provincial Protected Areas Strategy. BC Parks is accountable for planning, administration and management of the park through application of the laws, policies and regulations granted under the *Park Act*. BC Parks will coordinate with other agencies, the LRMP table, various public planning groups and First Nations in amending the MDS or developing management plans for all of the new protected areas arising from the Kamloops LRMP.

This management direction statement has been reviewed and approved in principle by the Kamloops LRMP implementation team.

#### C. Role of the Park

Poplar Point Park Site serves primarily as a marine access day use and overnight recreation site, with activities relating to boating, camping, picnicking, swimming and fishing. This site along with the Spillman Beaches Site comprise the Adams Lake Marine Park. This Park site is one of four parks sites, including Spillman Beaches, Momich Lakes and Adams Lake Park, that provide for recreation access and use of Adams Lake. The site has a minor role in representing riparian and associated upland vegetation along Adams Lake.

#### D. Zoning

The zoning plan as shown on the adjoining page reflects the intent of the LRMP recommendations for the Adams Lake Marine Park - Poplar Point Site. The Park is zoned as **Natural Environment** to maintain the area in a natural condition while allowing some recreational use. Facility development may be required to reduce environmental impacts from recreation use. Facilities will be compatible with the natural setting.

#### E. Management Objectives and Strategies

The following objectives will direct the short and long term management of the area:

- to maintain the natural qualities and conditions of the park
- to foster relationships with First Nations through ongoing consultation and discussion of their concerns and views on protected area management and planning
- to maintain the visual, recreational and tourism values
- to maintain the diversity of wildlife species and habitats
- to discourage the introduction of non-native plant species
- to provide for continued recreation use with opportunities for boating, day use and camping, natural history viewing

#### F. Longer Term Issues and Concerns

Specific issues that will be considered in the longer term can be highlighted under the following topics:

#### Conservation

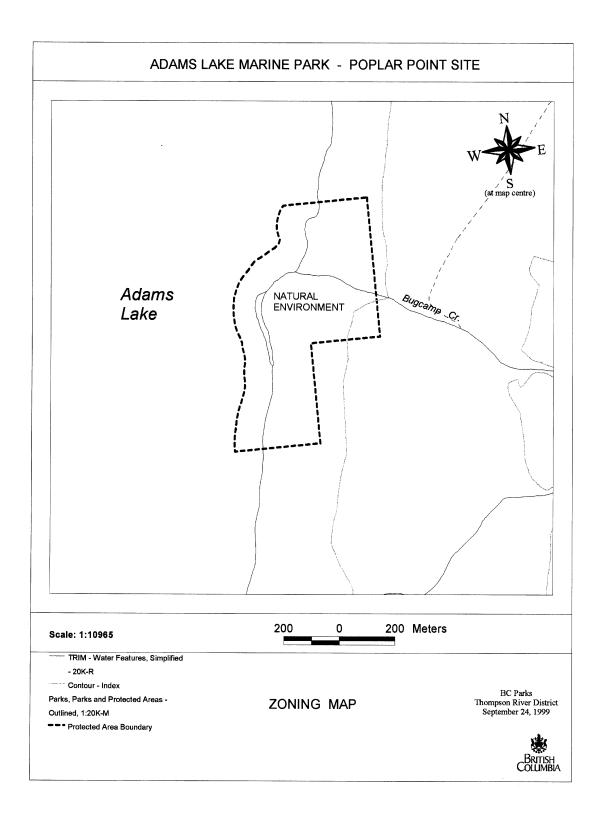
- inventory of conservation values
- vegetation management protection of riparian areas for shade and food supply for fish; insect and disease control; fire management

#### **Recreation and Tourism**

- access management preventing road access from encroaching into beach area
- recreation use appropriate activities, levels of development, types of facilities, carrying capacities

#### Culture

- inventory of archaeological sites
- protection of archaeological sites
- recognition of any identified traditional native uses



#### G. Short Term Issues and Concerns

The following Activity/Use Matrix outlines guidelines for managing uses, activities and facilities in the Park. These guidelines reflect the intent of the LRMP and, in general principle, follow the policies as set out for use and management of provincial park natural environment zones.

Activity/Use Facility	Natural Environment
Hunting	Y
Fishing	Y
Trapping	Y
Grazing (domestic livestock)	Ν
Recreational Gold Panning/Rock Hounding	Ν
Utility Corridors	N
Communication Sites	N/A
Horse Use/Pack Animals	Ν
Guide Outfitting (hunting)	Y <sup>2</sup>
Guide Outfitting (fishing)	Y <sup>2</sup>
Guide Outfitting (nature tours)	Y <sup>2</sup>
Guide Outfitting (river rafting)	N/A
Cat-Assisted Skiing	N/A
Ski-Hills	N/A
Heli-skiing	N/A
Heli-hiking	Ν
Tourist Infrastructure - Resorts	N/A
Backcountry Huts / Lodges / Cabins / Guest Ranches	N/A
Water Control Structures	Ν
Fish Stocking and Enhancement	N1
Road Access	Y <sup>1</sup>
Off-road Access (snowmobiling)	Ν
Off-road Access (motorized)	Ν
Off-road Access (mechanical activities)	Y <sup>3</sup>
Motorized Water Access	Y
Aircraft Access	N1
Fire Management (Prescribed) Wildlife Management Prevention & Preparedness Prescribed Fire Management	N1
Fire Management (suppression)	Y
Forest Insect / Disease Control	N1
Noxious Weed Control	Y
Exotic Insect / Disease Control	Y
Scientific Research (specimen collection)	N1
Scientific Research (manipulative activities)	N1

#### Appendix - Activity / Use Matrix

Y= allowed, subject to conditions identified in the interim management statement or management plan

not allowed N=

N1=

allowed for expressed management purposes only not normally allowed, but if present at time of PA establishment, will normally be allowed to continue N2=

Road access plan for this area designates open and closed roads
By permit only
On designated trails only
On designated lakes only