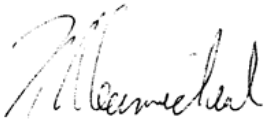


BROMLEY ROCK PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

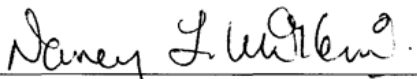
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BROMLEY ROCK PROVINCIAL PARK Purpose Statement and Zoning Plan

The **primary purpose** of Bromley Rock Provincial Park is to provide scenic recreation opportunities for camping and river-oriented day use activities as part of a network of roadside facilities along Highway 3.

Located west of Hedley, Bromley Rock Provincial Park and Stemwinder Provincial Park are two of only a few public recreation access points to the Similkameen River between Princeton and Keremeos. In addition to serving the traveling public, the park is a popular day use site for local residents. River activities include kayaking, tubing, swimming and fishing.

The park is 143 hectares in size with its 17 campsites and separate small beach-focussed day use area situated on a narrow strip of land between the river and Highway 3.

The **secondary purpose** of the park is to protect about 3,000 metres of Similkameen River shoreline and its associated stand of mature Douglas-fir.

The park contains 143 hectares of the Interior Douglas-Fir xh1 subzone/variant, which amounts to half of that protected in the Southern Thompson Upland Ecoregion. The park has no known rare species values.

The **tertiary purpose** of the park is to protect a number of archaeological sites, including a fishing site near the striking Bromley Rock, important to the Upper Similkameen Band and other First Nations.

Known Management Issues	Response
Concern for river user safety due to riverbank erosion and wildlife/hazard trees and maintenance of mature Douglas-fir riparian forest in high use area.	Undertake concurrent conservation and recreation risk assessments and implement recommendations that consider both issues.

Zoning

The land between the highway and the river is zoned Intensive Recreation to provide readily accessible camping and day use recreation opportunities (approximately 6% of the park). The area west of the highway and on the east side of the river is Natural Environment zone to protect the scenic values and provide low intensity recreation opportunities in a largely undisturbed natural environment (approximately 94% of the park).

CONSERVATION

Representation

- ecosession Southern Thompson Upland – contributes 0.63% of protected area system representation of this ecosession
- biogeoclimatic subzone/variant IDFxh1 and IDFxh1b– insignificant contributions to these under-represented subzones/variants although its 143 ha contribution amounts to 51% of the IDFxh1 protected in this ecosession

Special Feature

Rare/Endangered Values

Scientific/Research Opportunities

RECREATION

Representation:

- backcountry
- destination
- travel corridor Moderately important camping for Highway 3 travellers.
- local recreation Moderately important local river-access for kayaking, tubing, swimming and fishing

Special Opportunities

Education/Interpretation Opportunities

CULTURAL HERITAGE

Representation First Nation traditional fishing site

Special Feature

OTHER MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Other Designations

Relationship to Other PAs Along with Stenwinder Park, one of few public access points to the Similkameen River between Princeton and Keremeos

Co-operative Management Arrangements

Partnerships

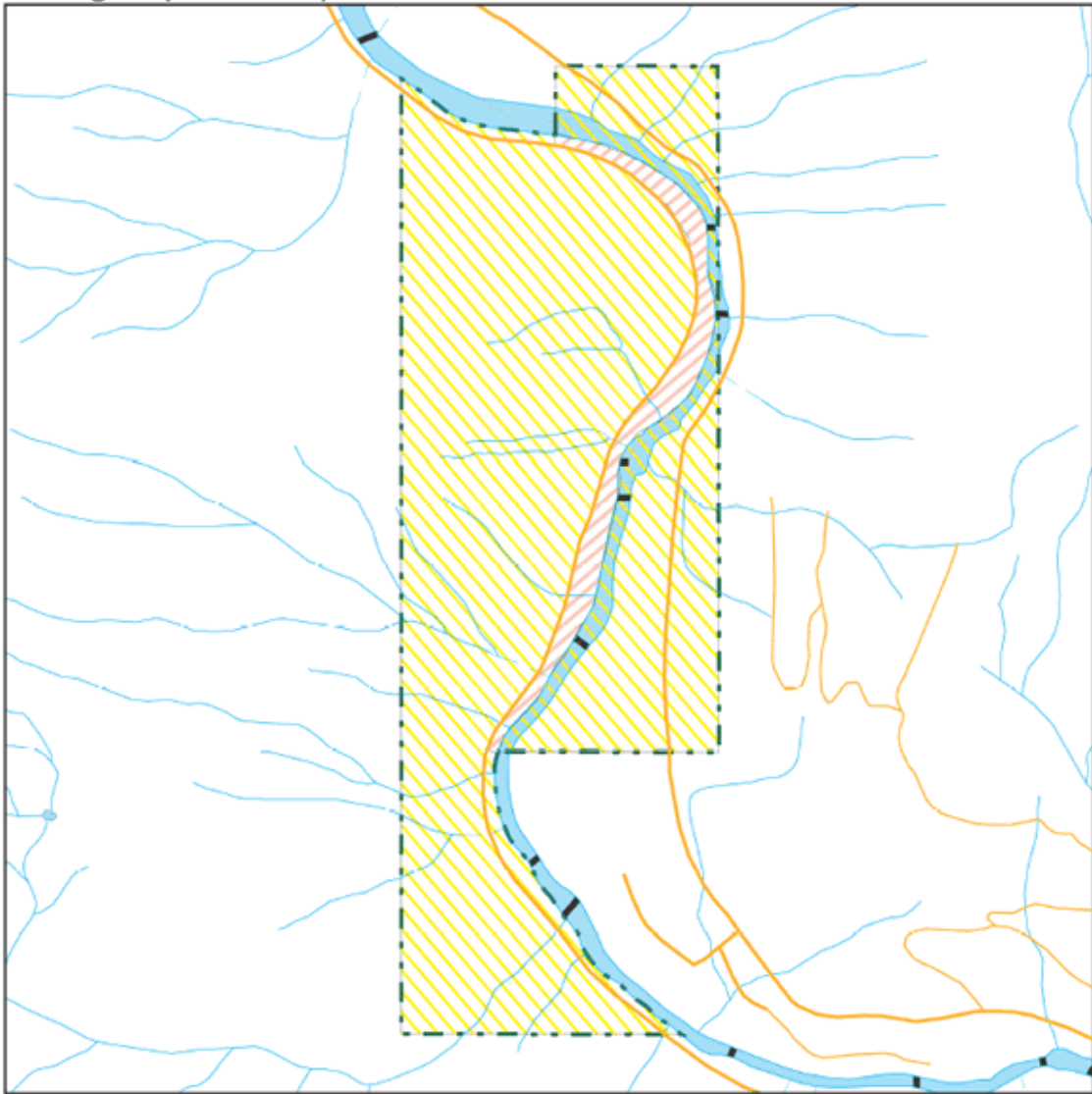
Vulnerability

Relationship to Other Strategies

Area: 143 hectares




Date of establishment: March 16, 1956

Zoning Map - Bromley Rock Provincial Park



Projection: Albers Equal Areas
Datum: NAD83



-  Intensive Recreation
-  Natural Environment
-  Protected Area Boundary



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