

BUCKINGHORSE RIVER WAYSIDE PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

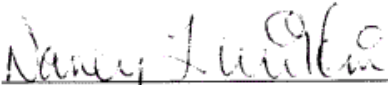
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Primary Role

The **primary** role of Buckinghorse River Wayside Provincial Park is to provide travelers on the Alaska Highway with a rest area and camping opportunities. The 55 hectare park is located approximately 200 kilo metres northwest of Fort St. John at Kilometer 278 of the Alaska Highway.

Secondary Role

The **secondary** role of Buckinghorse River Wayside Provincial Park is to provide recreational services to local area residents. Arctic grayling are present in the Buckinghorse River, providing anglers with an excellent fishing opportunity.

Tertiary Role

The **tertiary** role of the park is habitat conservation. There are opportunities for park users to view and appreciate the natural values of the park. Buckinghorse River Wayside Provincial Park is part of the Muskwa Plateau Ecosection and includes part of the Boreal White and Black Spruce moist warm Fort Nelson (BWBSmw 2) variant.

Known Management Issues	Response
Parking lot style facility design is not attractive to the public and does not promote use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • review design features for future planning as required
Human/wildlife interaction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • implement management strategies (e.g. provide adequate signage and visitor information regarding disposal of litter and waste, and consequences of approaching wildlife) to reduce conflicts.

Zoning

The entire park (55 hectares) is zoned Intensive Recreation.

CONSERVATION

Representation

- ecosection

- biogeoclimatic subzone/variant

Provides minimal representation of the poorly represented Muskwa Plateau Ecosection– 3.41% of this ecosection is in protected area status; Buckinghorse River Wayside Provincial Park’s contribution is only 0.04% of the overall protected areas system representation of this ecosection. Provides minimal representation of the very poorly represented BWBSmw2 – only 2.18% of this variant is in protected area status; Buckinghorse River Wayside Provincial Park’s contribution is only 0.02% of the overall protected areas system representation of this variant.

Special Feature

Rare/Endangered Values X Bull trout

Scientific/Research Opportunities

RECREATION

Representation

- backcountry
- destination
- travel corridor

- local recreation

X Alaska Highway travelers; serve s as overnight accommodation along the highway.
X Provide fishing opportunities

Special Opportunities

Education/Interpretation Opportunities

CULTURAL HERITAGE

Representation

Not known

Special Feature

OTHER MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Other Designations

Relationship to Other PAs

Co-operative Management Arrangements

Partnerships

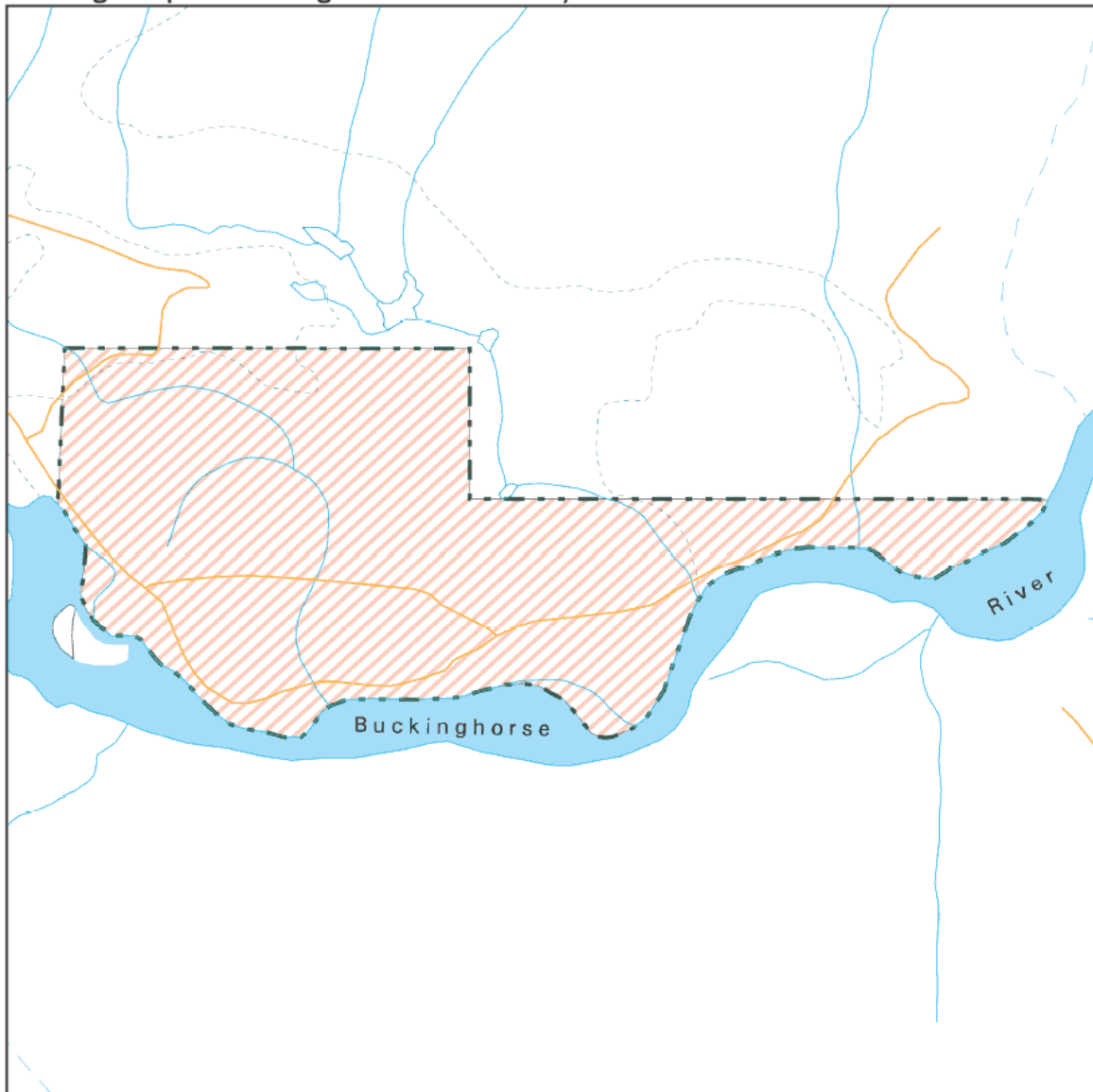
Vulnerability

Relationship to Other
Strategies

Date of establishment: April 13, 1970



Area: 55 hectares

Zoning Map - Buckinghorse River Way Provincial Park



Projection: Albers Equal Areas
Datum: NAD83



 Intensive Recreation
 Protected Area Boundary

0 100
m

A horizontal scale bar with a vertical tick at 0 and another at 100, with the unit 'm' centered below the bar.

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