LOVELAND BAY PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

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Primary Role

The **primary** role of Loveland Bay Park is to provide a lakeside camping, boating and fishing opportunity in a forested setting on Vancouver Island. Loveland Bay is located about 15 kilometres north of Campbell River on Lower Campbell Lake. The 31-unit campsite offers many lakefront sites and two group sites. A boat launch and 20 metre floating wharf provide access to the lake. Loveland Bay Park complements other recreation opportunities in the Campbell River destination area provided by Elk Falls Provincial Park, Morton Lake Provincial Park, McIvor Lake Regional Park, Snowden Demonstration Forest and the Sayward Forest Canoe Route.

Secondary Role

The **secondary** role is to protect the natural environment in which people come to recreate. Due to its small size, it has an insignificant contribution to the representation of the Nanaimo Lowlands Ecosection (NAL) which is under-represented within the protected areas system at 1.41%. It also has a minimal contribution to the protection of the Coastal Western Hemlock (CWH) xm1 and xm2 biogeoclimatic variants, which have only 2.07% and 4.13% respectively protected in the province. Both variants and NAL are primarily located on the east side of Vancouver Island and have been highly modified.

Known Management Issue	Response
Lack of knowledge of cultural values	Undertake cultural inventory.
Maintenance of access into park	Work with Forest Service to add recently abandoned forest service road to park.
Lack of control of watercraft and lack of safe swimming area	Pursue acquisition of foreshore in order to control water craft operating from park and provide safe swimming area.
Insufficient parking for boat trailers	Investigate opportunities to provide additional parking for boat trailers.

Zoning

Intensive Recreation Zone - covers the entire park (30 ha) and reflects the primary purpose of the park and facilities to support the destination use of the park. The objective of this zone is to provide for a variety of readily accessible, facility-oriented outdoor recreation opportunities.

Conservation

Representation - ecosection		Insignificant contribution to the overall representation of the Nanaimo Lowlands Ecosection (0.45%). This ecosection is under-represented in the protected areas system (1.4%). Insignificant contribution to the well-represented Leeward Island Mountains Ecosection.	
- biogeoclimatic subzone/variant		Contributes minimally to the representation of CWHxm1 (0.24%) and CWHxm2 (0.03%), both of which are under-represented in the protected areas system	
Special Feature	\boxtimes	Riparian, near shore fish habitat	
Rare/Endangered Values		None known at this time	
Scientific/Research Opportunities		None known at this time	
Recreation			
Representation backcountry destination travel corridor local recreation		Not Applicable Not Applicable Not Applicable Regional destination for camping and fishing	
Special Opportunities		None known at this time	
Education/Interpretation Opportunities		None known at this time	
Cultural Heritage			
Representation	\boxtimes	Logging railway	
Special Feature		Not Applicable	
Other Management Considerations			
Other Designations		Not Applicable	
Relationship to other PAs	\boxtimes	Part of system of protected areas in the Campbell River destination area of Vancouver Island	
Co-operative Management Arrangements		Not Applicable	
Partnerships		Not Applicable	
Vulnerability	\boxtimes	Small size limits ability to protect ecosection and biogeoclimatic variant	

Relationship to other Strategies 🗌 Not Applicable

Area: 30 hectares

Date of establishment: November 21, 1966

