NANCY GREENE PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

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Primary Role

The **primary** role of Nancy Greene Provincial Park is to maintain tourism travel route and local community outdoor recreation opportunities oriented to a subalpine forest and wetland/lake setting. The park is strategically located at the crossroads of Highway 3b and 3, a 15 minute drive from two major communities: Castlegar to the east and Rossland to the south. Nancy Greene Provincial Park supports the significant local tourism in these communities by providing overnight accommodation and day use recreational opportunities in a natural setting. Day use opportunities including fishing, picnicking, walking, swimming, boating and, in winter, nordic skiing.

The focus of the park is Nancy Greene Lake, a subalpine lake feature of the Monashee Mountains that can be found in only one other protected area, Champion Lakes. Associated with the lake is a small wetland/marsh habitat that is a rare occurrence at this elevation. This habitat may be important for conservation, but its significance is presently unknown.

Known Management Issues	Response
The forest health may be threatened by mountain pine beetles.	The area surrounding the park has been harvested because of mountain pine beetle concerns. Regular wildlife/hazard tree assessments are required.
Lake fishery may be threatened by year round fishing.	With the added pressures of ice fishing, a lake inventory and creel survey should be conducted to ensure stocking levels are correct and the health of the fishery is maintained.
Existing facilities do not meet the high demand for day use and camping opportunities at this popular site.	Consider options for developing a 25 unit campground and upgraded day use area including upgrading the self-guided interpretation trail around the lake.

Zoning

Intensive Recreation (approximately 4% of the park)

Objective: To provide for a variety of readily accessible, facility-oriented outdoor recreation opportunities.

Natural Environment (approximately 96% of the park)

Objectives: To protect scenic values and to provide for recreation opportunities in a largely undisturbed natural environment.

Conservation Representation - ecosection Contributes minimally to the well represented Selkirk Foothills Ecosection (11.22%). The park contributes only 0.03% (197 ha) of the overall representation of this ecosection. - biogeoclimatic subzone/variant Contributes minimally, 165 ha (0.02% of overall representation) to the moderately represented ICHmw2. Special Feature None identified. Rare/Endangered Values Unknown. No studies completed. Scientific/Research Opportunities None identified. Recreation Representation backcountry Not applicable. destination Not applicable. travel corridor \boxtimes Highway 3-3b, small site on major tourist route, vehicle camping (10 sites). local recreation \boxtimes One of only a few accessible lakes in area,5 vehicle parking, picnicking swimming, fishing, ice fishing, boating and Nordic skiing. Enclosed picnic shelter. **Special Opportunities** Not applicable. **Education/Interpretation Opportunities** None identified. **Cultural Heritage** Representation Not yet assessed.

None known at this time.

Other Management Considerations

Not applicable. Other Designations

Special Feature

Relationship to other PAs \boxtimes One of four PA that supply recreation

opportunities to lower Columbia River

communities.

Co-operative Management Arrangements		Not applicable.
Partnerships		Not applicable.
Vulnerability		CRA risk ranked medium due to forest harvesting in adjacent areas for forest health.
Relationship to other Strategies		Not applicable.
Area: 203 hectares		
Date of establishment: January 25, 1972		

