PINNACLES PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

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Primary Role

The **primary** role of Pinnacles Provincial Park is to protect a dramatic example of hoodoos, a special geological feature unique to the Fraser River area of the province.

Secondary Role

The **secondary** role of Pinnacles Provincial Park is to protect habitat for a number of plant species that are at risk, including Sprengels' sedge and riverbank anemone.

Known Management Issues	Response	
Bark beetle activities in park.	Continue to monitor and work with the	
	ministry of Forests on methods to control	
	spread of bark beetle activities and prevent	
	impacts to adjacent commercial forests.	
Human use may be eroding hoodoos.	Monitor impacts using Backcountry Recreation	
	Impact Monitoring (BRIM).	

Zoning

The hoodoos are zoned as Special Feature (approximately 68 hectares or 55% of the park), while the access road and picnic grounds are zoned Intensive Recreation (approximately 56 hectares or 45% of the park).

CONSERVATION

Representation				
• ecosection		Contributes to the representation of the extremely poorly represented Quesnel Lowland Ecosection, which has only 0.75% protected. Pinnacles is one of 7 small protected areas contributing to the representation of this ecosection. Pinnacles contributes 3.31% of the overall protected areas system representation of this ecosection. Major contributors are Ten Mile Lake (6.79%), Three Sisters (25.8%), and Fraser River (55.9%) parks.		
• biogeoclimatic subzone/variant		Pinnacles is one of six protected areas contributing to the representation of the SBSdw1 variant of which only 1.29% is protected. Pinnacles contributes only 2.59% of the overall protected areas system representation of this variant. Schoolhouse Lake Park is the major contributor (89.16%). Cottonwood River, Ruth Lake, Ten Mile Lake, and Cinema Bog make minor contributions.		
Special Feature		Hoodoos		
Rare/Endangered Values		Red-listed plants - Carex Sprengelii (Sprengel's sedge) Anemone Virginiana Var. Cylindroidea (riverbank anemone)		
Scientific/Research Opportunities				
RECREATION				
Representation:				
• backcountry				
• destination				
travel corridor		Popular area for local picnicking and day use.		
local recreation		Topular area for focal premering and day use.		
Special Opportunities				
Education/Interpretation Opportunities				
Representation		CULTURAL HERITAGE		
Special Feature		None known		

OTHER MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Other Designations				
Relationship to Other PAs				
Co-operative Management Arrangements				
Partnerships				
Vulnerability Relationship to Other Strategies		Low.		
Area : 124.39 ha				
Date of Establishment : September 18, 1969				