

VALHALLA PROVINCIAL PARK

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

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TRAIL	ACCESS	CONDITION OF TRAIL	GENERAL COMMENTS
Wee Sandy Trail	Boat- excellent moorage Coarse pebble beach	Higher elevations under snow 2023 Trail has been cleared to 1st crossing (4.5 km from trailhead) on July 14th 2022; trail not maintained beyond that point.	Wee Sandy Creek - Length, 14.4 km; suggested time, 10 hours; elevation change, 1,370 m. Trail not maintained beyond 1st crossing (4.5 km from trailhead). Trail starts on west shore of Slocan Lake at Wee Sandy Creek. Features include: Wee Sandy Lake,; enjoyable historic trail for first 2 km with views of goat bluffs at entrance to valley on north side; old trappers' cabins at 5.8 km and 10.5 km. Also at 10.5 km is Iron Creek Cabin, a shelter with a wood stove. Rugged trail beyond 3 km. Bridges out above 1st crossing (4 km).
Sharp Creek Trail (New Denver Glacier)	Boat- good moorage Mixed rock & sand beach	Higher elevations under snow 2023 Trail cleared July 19 th 2022	Sharp Creek - Length 8 km; suggested time, 6 hrs; elevation change 1,380 m. Trail begins on west shore of Slocan Lake immediately north of Sharp Creek and follows creek to ruins of old cabin at the 1,920 m level. The trail is steep although its condition is generally good. Usual campsite is 1.8 km and 240 m elevation gain beyond trail end.
Nemo Creek Trail	Boat- good moorage. Well protected from southerly winds Fine sandy beach	• Trail cleared on July 7 th , 2022.	Nemo Creek - Length 4 km; suggested time, 4 hours; elevation change 905 m. Trail starts 50 m north of Nemo Creek and leads along the creek, an easy or moderate hike. Lower Nemo Falls on first section, the Rock Castles at 3.4 km and an old trapper's cabin at 4 km are all interesting features well within the range of an easy day trip.
Slocan-Evans Trail	Please park on east side of Slocan River in village of Slocan.	Trail cleared on August 8, 2022Trail brushed June 2022	Excellent trail along Slocan Lake, beautiful views and a multitude of swimming spots, fantastic day hike 7.5 km, suggested time 2.5 hours. Please respect Private Property at Pebble Beach.
Evans Beach/Beatrice Lake Trail	Hike to Evans Cr. along Slocan/Evans Trail or boat to Evans Creek	Higher elevations still under snow 2023 Trail cleared from Evans beach to Cahill campsite on September 2, 2022.	Beatrice Lake - Length 12.5 km; suggested time 8 hours; elevation change 985 m. Two trailheads. The best trail starts just south of Evans Creek at a rockbound cove and connects with both the shoreline trail to Slocan and the main Beatrice Lake trail across the Evans Creek bridge. Emerald Lake (Little Cahill) is a good day hike destination. 4 tent pads @ Emerald Lake; 6 tent pads @ Cahill Lake; no camping @ Beatrice Lake. Dogs on leash permitted.
Drinnon/ Gwillim Trail	Hoder FSR access road clear to trailhead in 2020 Last 2 km very rough, not recommended for 2WD; watch for marked sinkhole~500m before parking area	Snow in parking lot and trail under snow 2023	Drinnon Pass - Length 3.5 km; suggested time 2 hours; elevation change 435 m. Trail begins at end of Hoder Creek logging road spur and leads to Drinnon Pass. Gwillim Lakes are 2.2 km; 1.5 hours and a 225 m elevation gain beyond the pass. Note: Open fires and pets are not allowed in this trail corridor. 4 tent pads @ Drinnon Lk; 6 tent pads @ Wicca Lk; 13 tent pads @ Gwillim Lks
Gimli Trail (Mulvey Basin)	Bannock FSR access road open to trailhead in 2020 Many large water- bars/swales (high clearance vehicle required)	Snow in parking lot and trail under snow 2023	Short (~3.5km) spectacular trail with awe-inspiring views; ~800m elevation gain. Excellent day hike. Access to climbing destination with base camp on South Gimli Ridge outside Mulvey Basin. Note: Open fires and pets are not allowed in this trail corridor.
Beach Front	Boat access – when choosing your campsite, note the quality of the moorage considering that Slocan Lake is prone to frequent and violent wind squalls.	Use food caches provided to reduce wildlife problems. Water level is very high. Watch for hazards when landing boats	Tent pads, outhouse, food caches at 9 beach campgrounds. Public boat launches at Slocan City, Silverton, and New Denver.

Please do not camp in any alpine meadow as the vegetation is extremely susceptible to damage.

DOGS ALLOWED ON SLOCAN LAKE SHORE & THE TRAIL TO CAHILL & BEATRICE LAKES ONLY & MUST BE

KEPT ON A LEASH. DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN ANY OTHER BACKCOUNTRY AREAS

Use of food caches mandatory (caches suitable for small coolers)

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